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## ENTIRE GERMAN WAR MACHINE THROWN INTO RUSSIAN CAMPAIGN: VITAL TO END SOON AS POSSIBLE

### Heavy Air Losses On Both Sides On First Four Days Of Battle

#### SOVIETS COUNTER LUFTWAFFE STRONGLY

A BERLIN SPOKESMAN HAS REVEALED THAT IT IS VITAL FOR GERMANY TO FINISH THE RUSSIAN CAMPAIGN IN THE SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME AND FOR THIS PURPOSE ALMOST THE ENTIRE GERMAN WAR MACHINE IS BEING USED REGARDLESS OF COST.

The total number of German troops already engaged was over one million, he asserted, and added that a further million were in reserve. The spokesman also revealed that the Germans are using more planes than in the Battle of France last year, says Reuter.

THE SOVIETS ARE COUNTERING INTENSE GERMAN AIR ACTIVITY BY THROWING THE GREATER PART OF THEIR AIR FORCE INTO THE FRAY AND LOSSES ON BOTH SIDES ARE REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN VERY HEAVY.

According to a Soviet communique, in the first four days of the war the Germans lost 457 planes and the Russians 291.

## GERMAN BUSINESSES AFFECTED

HSINGKING, June 26 (Reuter)—THE STOPPAGE OF GERMAN TRAFFIC ON THE TRANS-SIBERIAN RAILWAY IS RAPIDLY BEING FELT IN GERMAN CIRCLES THROUGHOUT MANCHUKUO WHO ARE NOW PARTIALLY ISOLATED FROM THE FATHERLAND.

Their businesses have been affected and their correspondence to and from Germany will now take months instead of weeks.

A NUMBER OF GERMANS ARRIVING FROM THE UNITED STATES AND SOUTH AMERICA, EN ROUTE TO GERMANY, HAVE BEEN COMPELLED TO CHANGE PLANS AND FIND TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION IN THE FAR EAST.

Several Germans who reached Manchouli were warned in the nick of time before crossing the Russian border.

The next few months will doubtless see the Far East crowded with German evacuees from the Western Hemisphere.

## Hitler Dreads U.S. Entry In The War

"Hitler dreads the United States entry into the war and it may have been this fear that decided him on this invasion of Russia," remarked MAJOR ALLEN MURRAY in the course of a broadcast from London last night.

The speaker said that Vladivostok had, in a night, become a port for aid to Russia from the United States.

The new war, said Major Murray, had rendered Japan somewhat isolated and her trade via Siberia had been stopped causing more uneasiness in her partnership with the Axis.

The relations between Finland and Russia and Finland and Germany were rather complex the trouble being that German troops were in Finland in some force.

Russia had already announced her policy, similar to that of Bri-

## WELCOME TO AMERICAN VOLUNTEERS

CHUNGKING, June 26 (Reuter)—A welcome to American volunteers to China is expressed in today's TAKUNGPAO which says:

"Reports that American volunteers are going to China and Britain have been in circulation for some time, but President Roosevelt's announcement formally revealed the matter to the public."

"This is another indication of further American aid to China and Britain, and American volunteers will give valuable assistance to China and a further demonstration of close Sino-American co-operation."

"We therefore specially welcome this announcement."

tain, and that was to strike the enemy wherever he was found.

Press reports stated that Helsinki was bombed early yesterday.

A neutral observer with the Russian forces said that there were four possible routes for the German drive, excluding direct attack from Finland.

These would be:

FIRSTLY, across the Baltic States direct on to Leningrad.

SECONDLY, through Baranovitch gap south of the Pripet Marshes on to the Moscow Road which was taken by Napoleon.

THIRDLY, from the point where the frontier leads to the Rivers Bug and San through Lwow on to Kiev, and

FOURTHLY, across the Rivers Pruth and Dniester to southern Ukraine and Odessa.

There is evidence, the observer said, that attacks have been made in all four quarters but from communiques issued by belligerents it would seem that two principal attacks are being made through the Baltic States on

to Leningrad and along the Napoleonic line through Baranovitch gap to Moscow.

He pointed out, however, that it was too early to say in which direction the main attacks may develop.

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## Careful Deliberation Of Important Questions Confronting Japan

TOKYO, June 26 (Reuter)—Another liaison conference between the JAPANESE GOVERNMENT and the HIGH COMMAND of the national defence services this morning "RESUMED THE CAREFUL DELIBERATION OF IMPORTANT QUESTIONS CONFRONTING JAPAN".

Cabinet representatives were PRINCE KONOYE (Premier), MR. MATSUOKA and the WAR and NAVY MINISTERS.

The newspapers take up the discussion of the future of the port of Vladivostok upon which the Axis capitals speculated yesterday.

The newspaper YOMIURI SHIMBUN warns the United States, before it sends aid to Russia through Vladivostok, to consider the effect of such a step upon Japan.

The HOCHI SHIMBUN regards the Russo-German war as merely a step for the advancement of President Roosevelt's plan, and paints a picture of a northern menace to Japan by the linking of Alaska, Aleutians and Vladivostok.

Newspapers, with Axis obligations and the Russo-Japanese Neutrality Pact in mind, emphasize that Hitler's "bullet diplomacy" has reduced all treaties to scraps of paper.

The KOKUMIN SHIMBUN says that the interruption of Trans-Siberian traffic has modified some of the commitments of the Russo-Japanese Pact and raises the question of its value to Japan.

The Yomiuri, observing that the Soviet Union pushes itself into the Japanese Sea, proclaims that with all due respect to Oriental ideas, national interest is of the highest morality.

MATSUOKA REPORT

The official Government spokesman categorically denied reports alleging an impending reshuffle in

## SWEDEN ALLOWS GERMANY RIGHT OF THE PASSAGE OF TROOPS FROM NORWAY TO FINLAND

### Question Being Studied In London

LONDON, June 26 (BWS)—STOCKHOLM REPORTS THAT A STATEMENT HAS BEEN ISSUED BY THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCING A CONCESSION TO GERMANY OF THE RIGHT OF PASSAGE OF TROOPS FROM NORWAY THROUGH SWEDEN TO FINLAND.

So far no comment is made on the subject in authoritative circles in London where, however, the question is receiving attention.

## Communist M.P. Says Must Be Big Drive In Factories

LONDON, June 26 (Reuter)—The situation has now so changed that it is unnecessary to put a campaign for a people's peace in the forefront: there must be co-operation and a big drive in the factories, said the only Communist member of the House of Commons, Mr. W. Gallacher, to reporters today.

He added the big question is co-operation between Britain and the Soviet Union in the interests of the peoples of both countries, therefore, the Communists will support the British Government in any steps to advance "rather than co-operation."

"We shall be prepared to discuss with the members and the Labour Party, with members of any other Party, or no Party, measures to be taken to ensure that co-operation."

"We are always opposed to a Hitler peace or sell-out of any kind. We have nothing to do with peace by negotiations or parley."

It is recalled that the British Government strongly deprecated the earlier agreement between Sweden and Germany for the passage of troops to Northern Norway under certain limiting conditions.

#### WISH OF FINLAND

STOCKHOLM, June 26 (Reuter)—A spokesman of the Swedish Foreign Office today informed the Press that the Swedish Government had been induced to agree to the transport of a unit of German troops through Sweden because it was the wish of Finland that the unit should proceed to Finland to protect her in case of attack.

The decision to allow transit was taken after consultation with the political Parties in both Chambers of the Riksdag.

No other demand had been made on Sweden though technical details of Sweden's neutrality had been discussed. This transit was limited in number and would not recur.

The question of the cession of bases in Sweden had never been discussed, said the spokesman, who emphasised there was also no question of taking sides in the Anglo-German struggle. They only took the side of Finland in the event of being involved against Russia.

The spokesman said he believed the concession would further Sweden's chief interest, namely, to remain outside the war.

Questioned as to whether Sweden would help Finland materially as before, the spokesman said Finland now "has a powerful helper."

"The Finnish Legation in London last night presented to the Foreign Office a statement which closely corresponds with the one issued publicly here to the effect that violations of Finnish territory from Russia and the bombing of Finnish towns and villages compelled Finland from now on to defend herself with every means in her power."

The matter is receiving urgent

## Populated Quarter Bombed At 4 a.m. By The Nazis

JERUSALEM, June 27 (Reuter)—30 and 40 people were killed and many injured when the Germans dropped bombs on the thickly populated quarter of Babtouna in Damascus yesterday morning at 4 a.m. A British eye-witness has just described the scenes.

There were absolutely no military objectives in the vicinity unless a hospital could be so described. The world famous Omayyad Mosque and the historic tomb of Saladin were damaged.

"This is sheer savagery," it is declared.

The German bombing caused widespread anger among the Arabs for whose benefit the German Radio yesterday broadcast that, during the Allied advance, British planes destroyed the Omayyad Mosque.

In point of fact the inhabitants of Damascus have publicly expressed satisfaction at the care taken during the Allied attack shown by the fact that only two civilians were killed and seven wounded, and none near any Mosque.

Details of the damage caused by the German raid are not yet available but a large fire started near the Omayyad Mosque was quickly under control.

## IMPERIAL CONFERENCE IN LONDON

CANBERRA, June 26 (Reuter)—An Imperial conference in London in the autumn of all dominions, at which the Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, would lead the Australian delegation, is forecast here in informed political circles.

Mr. Menzies and the Prime Ministers of other dominions have already exchanged views on the matter with Mr. Churchill, it is stated.

Mr. Menzies will probably take two Ministers with him and it is believed that he will suggest taking a member of the Labour Party.

consideration by the British Government but so far no official statement has been made.

The fact that large numbers of German troops have been concentrated in Finland has been known for some time.

## Large Fires Started At Kiel, Bremen

LONDON, June 26 (Reuter)—Large numbers of fires were started when the R.A.F. attacked the naval base of KIEL and the port of BREMEN last night, says an Air Ministry communique.

The docks at BOULOGNE were also bombed during the night. One aircraft is missing from the raids on Germany.

Nazi raids on BRITAIN last night were again on a comparatively small scale. Bombs were dropped at scattered points from the South of England to one place in Scotland, causing some damage and a few casualties.

Two German aircraft were destroyed in these raids.

SUCCESS CONTINUED

LONDON, June 26 (BWS)—During the week ended June 22, attacks on enemy shipping show a continuation of success.

In the Mediterranean and Aegean bases, a large Italian liner

## Today's News Summary

WITH THE PURPOSE OF FINISHING the campaign in Russia in the quickest possible time, almost the entire German war machine is being used while the Soviets, countering the Luftwaffe, are throwing nearly their entire air force into the fray. Air losses on both sides in the first four days are reported to have been heavy. An Italian division is being sent to fight the Russians.

SWEDEN'S CONCESSION TO GERMANY for the right of passage of troops from Norway to Finland is reported to have been done at the wish of Finland to prepare for an attack. The question is being closely considered in official circles in London.

ANOTHER LIAISON CONFERENCE BETWEEN the Japanese Government and the High Command was held in Tokyo yesterday to study important questions confronting Japan. Prince Kono, the Prime Minister, was present.

ENLARGEMENT OF THE AUSTRALIAN CABINET has been announced.

R.A.F. RAIDS OVER NORTH-WEST GERMANY were continued on Wednesday night.

AN IMPERIAL CONFERENCE TO BE HELD in London in August is forecast in Canberra.

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# GLUT OF GALAS SCHEDULED FOR COMING MONTH

## "Y" Will Meet With Strong Opposition In Distance Events At Salisbury Road

BY "JIN"

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE GALA WHICH WAS HELD BY THE KOWLOON RESIDENTS' UNION AT LAI CHI KOK last Saturday no other galas were staged although the swimming season is in full swing. However, there is a glut of night fetes in the very near future, which every swimming fan is looking forward to, and the one scheduled for tomorrow at the European YMCA. Pool between the home team and the University will be a very interesting affair.

L. A. Benn, who has just recently joined the V.R.C. and who is under the expert coaching of L. A. Soares, will be seen in action for the "Y" team. The "Y" team will experience little difficulty in the sprint events but will come up against strong opposition in the long distances in the person of Charles Huang. A close affair will be the relay race, with the odds slightly in favour of the home team.

L. A. Benn who has just recently with the crown again this season. Only a week ago established a new mark in the 200 metres relay race, which he won with the V.R.C. and it looks as though they will be seen in action tomorrow in the ladies' invitation relay race and the team will comprise the Misses Lily Sadick, Chang Olin, Ko Mui ling and Tsang Fung kwan.

### CHARITY GALA

Another gala which will take place shortly will be the Government Inter-Departmental Swimming Gala in aid of the B.W.O.F. at the European YMCA. Pool on Monday, June 30.

Police, P.W.D. and Prisons, Revenue, C.S.O. and Harbour, Urban Council, Medical and Education and C.S.O. small units will be taking part.

### V.R.C. LAI TSUN MEET

The V.R.C. will entertain Lai Tsun on July 12 at the former's pool in what promises to be one of the most outstanding swimming events of the season.

The programme of events is a most attractive one and main interest will be centred in the 800 yards relay (four men swimming 200 yards each). V.R.C. will be represented by C. Huang, W. Lawrence, C. Silva-Netto and L. A. Benn or L. Roza Pereira.

The 220 yards breast stroke will prove to be a question of endurance and incidentally this event will be included in the Colony championships as well as in the Interpool. If the latter materialises.

Chan Chun-nam, record breaker, will be seen in the 440 yards free-style and it is confidently anticipated that he will set a new mark.

### WEEKLY DRIPPINGS

Mrs. V. Murrell, of the Education Department, who as Miss Vera Tanner twice represented Great Britain in the 100 and 400 metres free style and the 400 metres free-style relay races in the World Olympic Games, will be seen in action at the European YMCA. Pool on July 12 when the A.N.S. and the V.A.D. swimming gala takes place.

Very few know the name of Willis, of the Royal Corps of Signals. He is none other than the untiring and energetic secretary of the European YMCA. Invitation Water-polo tournament. He is also a rugby and soccer player of no mean repute, but due to a knee injury sustained some years back, is reluctantly compelled to give up the game.

Wilfred Lawrence, former champion, will be turning out for the V.R.C. this season but his training will be limited owing to work. However, the form shown by him is on a par with that of former years.

Charles Huang, V.R.C.'s nod for the long distances, will be seen in action for the University tomorrow against the European YMCA. It will be interesting to note the times returned by him as he has definitely improved since he last competed in the Colony championships.

A. K. Rumjahn, Colony backstroke champion, should approach record time in the coming championships for this event, but should Ng Nin, Sing Tao, all-rounder, decide to compete, a new champion might emerge. Ng Nin is reputed to have covered the 100 yards in less than the record time, unofficially, and this should make Rumjahn sit up and take notice.

L. Roza Pereira, diving champion, is hard at practice and judging from the form shown by him he will undoubtedly walk away

## SPORTING FIXTURES

### TODAY

BILLIARDS. — Billiards Exhibition, in aid of British War Organisation Fund, Club de Regreio, 8.45 p.m.

MEETING. — Annual, of Macao Jockey Club, 3rd floor, Prince's Building, 4 p.m.

### TOMORROW

BASEBALL. — H.B. Baseball Club v. S.C.A.A. 2.15 p.m.; R.E. v. Chung Hwa, 4.30 p.m.

LAWN BOWLS. — First Division: Recreation "A" v. Kowloon Dockers R.C. Craighower v. Civil Service, Kowloon C.C. v. Indian R.C., Police R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C. "B" Recreation "B" v. Kowloon B.G.C. "A" Second Division: Kowloon C.C. v. Kowloon C.C. Kowloon Tong v. Craighower Prison O.C. v. Kowloon F.C. H.K.F.C. v. Talkoo R.C. Third Division: Kowloon B.G.C. v. Hongkong F.C. Kowloon F.C. v. Police R.C. Indian R.C. v. Hongkong C.C. Hongkong Electric v. Recreation.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 29

BASEBALL. — H.B. Baseball Club v. Royal Engineers, 4.30 p.m.

## INTER-SCHOOL BASKETBALL

### Mun Sang Defeated By Pui Ching

Pui Ching beat Mun Sang by 59 to 33 in the Inter-School Basketball League at the Kowloon Chinese YMCA. on Wednesday afternoon.

Leading by 34-17 at the interval, Pui Ching forged further ahead at the resumption and dominated play in the later stages when they allowed only eight goals to their opponents.

High scorers for the victorious team were Ng Yuen-fuk and Yu Kwok-fan, who bagged 14 and 13 points respectively, while Lau Tim-yuk distinguished for Mun Sang, scoring 18 of his team's 33 points.

### WIN FOR SOUTH CHINA

By better combination, South China defeated Ying Wah by 53 to 38 in the other League match played.

Wong Pui-wan, South China forward, carried off flying colours by chalking up 18 points for his team.

## WATER-POLO RESULTS

The following are the results of matches played last night in the European Y.M.C.A. Invitation water-polo tournament.

Playing in the Army pool, Y.M.C.A. defeated 36th R.A. by 5-0. Willis (2), Goldsmith (2) and Benn scored for the winners.

Also in the Army pool, Navy "A" beat Royal Scots "A" by 4-1. The goal scorers for Navy were Rutter (2), Culham and Paul. Lt. Hühner, replied for the Royals.

Combined Small Units lost to Signals by 5-1. McCann (2), Pitcher (2) and Hunt were responsible for the winners' goals, while Macdonald scored the solitary for the Combined Small Units.

Matches scheduled to be played at the Y.M.C.A. pool were postponed.

Tonight the Combined Small Units will meet 36th R.A.

## SOLO REINS WIN IRISH DERBY

THE CURRAGHS, Eire, June 28 (Reuter). — Mr. Hon. Diplo's Solo Reins, ridden by G. Wells, won the Irish Derby yesterday from a field of ten runners. Sir Percy Loraine's Khara was second and Mr. H. Hartigan's Etoll de Lyons third.

The winner is a son of Hyperion who also sired last week's English Derby winner at Newmarket. Solo Reins was favourite at 9-4 with Khara second at 3-1 and Etoll de Lyons third at 8-1. The race was won by a length and a half from the second, with four lengths between second and third. The English challenge may mean a play-off for second place.

## COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF LINGNAN UNIVERSITY

The annual Commencement Exercises of Lingnan University were held yesterday evening in the Great Hall of Hongkong University, the President of the College, Dr. Lei Ying-lam, presiding.

The Hon. Kam Tsang-Isong, (formerly Commissioner of the Department of Education of the Provincial Government of Kwangtung and a member of the People's Political Council, presented the diplomas to the year's graduates, numbering 46 in all.

Taking part in the Procession that opened the Exercises were President Y. L. Lee Dr. Y. K. Chu, Dean of the University, Prof. N. Z. Zia, Director of Student Guidance, Dr. C. H. Chuang, Dean of the College of Arts, Dr. H. S. Frank, Dean of the College of Science, Dr. Lei Pui-man (Dean of the College of Agriculture), Dr. S. M. Ling, Acting Dean of the College of Medicine, Dr. H. T. Chen, Director of the Graduate Institute of Natural Sciences, Mr. T. Y. Ho, Mr. T. K. Lo, Miss Priscilla Wong, Dean of Women, Prof. (Miss) Y. T. Sinn and Prof. Ng Chung-hon (Dept. of Chinese Literature), Prof. H. H. Rhoads and Prof. E. J. Kelley (Dept. of Western Languages and Literature), Prof. H. C. Brownell (Dept. of History and Government), Prof. W. Yuey-len and Prof. (Miss) C. D. Gower (Dept. of Sociology), Prof. Seto Shem and Prof. J. Y. Siu (Dept. of Business Administration), Prof. Chen Hsi-tao and Prof. B. K. Chen (Dept. of Biology), Prof. Chiu Yan-tsz (Dept. of Chemistry), Prof. Chu Chih-tell (Dept. of Physics), Prof. M. K. Kwel and Prof. Wong Yuk-man (Dept. of Civil Engineering), and Prof. W. E. MacDonald (Prof. of Mathematics).

Golden keys signifying membership of the Phi Tau Phi Honorary Scholastic Society (Lingnan Chapter) were presented to Lei Shun-nang, Miss Rosemary Lam, Chao Fu-chuan and Sze U-man.

LIST OF GRADUATES  
The graduates who received their diplomas were:—  
College of Arts (Degree of B.A.):—Miss Wu Lei-mul, Chao Kwong-yu, Miss Rosemary Lam, Miss Katharine Wong, Chan Wing-tut, Miss Tsui Chun-ying, Letung Sze-on, Chan Tiu-kei, Miss Lam Pak-sing, Lee Tung-ching, Leung Yau-yu and Wong Sing-chee.

College of Arts (Degree of B.A. in Business Administration):—Chan Muk Hong Tong-chao, Ling Ping-kwan, Lo Po-yiu, Ma Hon-lin, Ngai Wing-wo, Chan Kwok-hung, Chan Po-lau, Cheng Kwai-ping, Chao Pok, Chu Cheuk-yao, Fong Chung-chak, Kwok Lam-sang, Lau Sik-kong, Lei Hon-yu, Leung Tsi-nam, Siu Tun-tai, Sze U-man, Miss Tong Po-kwan and Miss Yu Lai-chu.

College of Science (Degree of B.S.):—Chao Fuk-chua, Miss Chan Yuet-tuen, Edgar Laufer, Leung Tsi-hang.

College of Science (Degree of B.S. in Civil Engineering):—Chan Seung-mo, Choo Kam-chee and Lo Ping-wong.

College of Agriculture (Degree of B.S.):—Yuen Ming, Chu Cheuk-woon, Chu Chi-kin, Ho Tin-sang, Kwan Kwan-wai and Yao On-tuen.

College of Medicine (Degree of M.B.):—Lam Pak-yuen.

## TEA RECEPTION TO LOCAL PRESS

The Overseas Chinese Productive Reconstruction Association, organised by a group of prominent Chinese in Hongkong for the encouragement and promotion of overseas Chinese investments in industrial enterprises in China, will give a reception to the local Press at the Gloucester Hotel at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

An outline of the work of the Association in the future will be given during the function.

## CHESS FIXTURE ADJOURNED

What may be the deciding fixture in the Colony Junior Chess Championship Tournament, the game between To Yu-lau and V. V. Kolatchoff, was commenced yesterday evening and adjourned on the 4th move, in a fairly even position.

To Yu-lau holds a rook, knight, bishop and three pawns in the adjourned position against two rooks and four pawns. The end game is likely to be very lengthy and fairly play by either party may result in a win for white or black with a draw the result of careful play on either side.

To win the Championship, To Yu-lau will have to take a point off with Blackoff for the Championship, and should he lose it may mean a play-off for second place.

## Y'S MEN'S CLUB TIFFIN MTG.

### Address On "Origins Of Chinese Poetry"

An interesting lecture on the "Origins of Chinese Poetry" was given yesterday before the weekly tiffin meeting of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club by Mr. Wong Man-kui, lecturer in Chinese Literature at Kwong Chau University and formerly lecturer in the same subject at the Sun Yat Sen University.

In introducing the speaker, Mr. Wong Kwok-long, Vice-President of the Hongkong Y's Men, remarked that Mr. Wong Man-kui was a keen student of Chinese history and literature and had had the good fortune to study under such noted authorities in this field as Professors Fu Hsi-lan and Chan Sun-shih.

BOUNDLESS OCEAN  
Chinese literature, Mr. Wong Man-kui said, is a boundless ocean. A man could spend his whole life in it and yet he could hardly be expected to reach any shore at all. In a short talk, it would not be possible to cover even the whole field of Chinese poetry, therefore he would speak only about a special type of Chinese poetry—the "Chi," and would strive to trace its origin.

The "Chi" was different from the regular 8-line or 4-line poem. It was quite irregular, there being no limit to lines, nor to words, though it did rhyme. An important fact about the "Chi" to be borne in mind was that these poems were written to be sung to music.

The barbarian invaders brought in with them certain kinds of music quite foreign to the Chinese. When Emperor Tai Tsung of the Tang Dynasty, conquered Kosa Cheung, a district in Chinese Turkestan, he had collected quite a good number of these foreign songs which later became fashionable among the songsters of the day.

RECORDS DISCOVERED  
Recently, when excavation work began in 1907 at Tien Wang in Kansu Province, certain old records discovered there tended to prove that before literary men began to write "Chi" the common folk of the Tang Dynasty had already been singing this new kind of song to the accompaniment of music.

The finest collection of this type of poetry was contained in the Yun-I collection of miscellaneous songs, all of them composed by anonymous poets, the speaker concluded.

Professor Hsu Tsi-nan, of Hongkong University, thanked the speaker.

Visiting Y's Men present were Messrs. T. M. Shen (Fuchow) and George Wong (Shukwan).

## B.W.O.F. ACCOUNT FOR MAY

The Receipts and Payments Account of the British War Organisation Fund for the month of May is as follows:—

RECEIPTS:—To Balance, \$16,094.06; To Donations and Subscriptions, \$5,128.98; To Sales (Central Hospital Supply Service Badges, Postal Labels, etc.) \$38.30. Total, \$21,261.32.

PAYMENTS:—By Purchases (Sewing Material Cotton, Pins), \$300.00; By Packing, Transport, Marine and War Risk Insurance, etc., \$75.95; By Office Expenses (Salary and Wages, Telegrams, Petities, etc.) \$448.23; By Balance, \$20,428.81; Petty Cash, \$208.43. Total, \$21,661.32.

One of the outstanding functions of the social season has been discontinued this year. At a recent committee meeting of the Society of Chartered Accountants in China it was decided not to hold their annual dinner which in past years has been so widely attended, because of the prevailing conditions.

Instead the committee decided to send a contribution of one hundred guineas to the Voluntary War Contribution Fund and that amount has now been duly forwarded.



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## Mrs. Roosevelt Denies That President Made Pledge Of "Peace-At-Any-Price"

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt has taken on a big job trying to interpret to a peace-loving Nation on reluctantly facing war the confused anti-war promises of last fall's political campaign.

Mrs. Roosevelt's denial of the President's pledge against any imputation of broken promises but for herself is quite prepared to put defeat of Hitlerism ahead of peace at any price. Presidents and war would be Presidents want peace, but not at the expense of democracy and freedom, she holds, and does not believe that anyone can put fairly any other interpretation on anything her husband has promised.

Ten days ago in Los Angeles, Mrs. Roosevelt flatly denied that the President had promised to keep the Nation out of war.

During the question period after her lecture, she was asked, "Do you think the President will keep his promise and keep us out of war?"

"He hasn't made any such promise," Mrs. Roosevelt hastily replied. "He has said he wants peace. If it is possible to stay at peace, he will do so. But the ultimate decision rests with the people."

Those who rushed to look up the record found this:

## STANDS ON PARTY PLATFORM

The President definitely pledged himself, to stand on the platform adopted by the Democratic Party at its Chicago Convention under pressure from isolationist Senator Burton K. Wheeler. The foreign policy plank in that platform, read:

"We will not participate in foreign wars, and will not send our Army, Navy, or Air Forces to fight in foreign lands outside of the Americas, except in case of attack."

In Boston, last Oct. 30, the President said: "I have said this before but I shall say it again and again. Your boys are not going to be sent into any foreign wars."

In Brooklyn, N.Y., last Nov. 1, "I am fighting to keep this Nation prosperous and at peace. I am fighting to keep our people out of foreign wars and to keep foreign conceptions of government out of our own United States."

## FIRST PURPOSE

And in Cleveland, Ohio, on Nov. 2, "The first purpose of our foreign policy is to keep our country out of war." The second purpose is to keep war as far away as possible from the shores of our entire Western Hemisphere. Finally, our policy is to give all possible material aid to the nations that still resist aggression."

By the time she arrived back in Washington, Mrs. Roosevelt had modified her denial to a certain extent. When told that some people had expressed surprise at her refusal to interpret the President's campaign statements as promises to keep the Nation at peace, she admitted that she hadn't been explicit enough in her reply to his Los Angeles questioner.

In the President's statements, she remembered, she said, he always had, qualified his anti-war promises by saying he would not take the Nation into war unless it were attacked.

## DEFEAT OF HITLERISM, FIRST

She indicated further that it is foolish for anyone to believe that a President can pretend to promise to keep a nation out of war, even though he has said it is "the first purpose of our foreign policy" to keep our country out of war.

"Though Mrs. Roosevelt has realized that the people of the United States have wanted to keep out of war, she has made it clear all along that they should put their faith in the preservation of the

## APPEAL BY BOXING BOARD OFFICIALS

The president and hon. treasurer of the Singapore Boxing Board of Control, Messrs. C. W. Brewer and Cheong Hock Chye, respectively, are appellants in a suit which came on for hearing in the Full Court of Appeal in Singapore before Sir Percy McEwaine, Mr. Justice Aitken and Mr. Justice Manning.

The appeal is against the decision of Mr. Justice A. K. A. Beckett Terrell, who gave judgment some time in February last in favour of Mr. C. M. Houghton, a boxing promoter, who had sued Messrs. Brewer and Cheong Hock Chye, in their respective capacities as president and treasurer, for the recovery of \$1,937 arising out of a contest which he promoted at the Happy World Stadium on May 10, 1940.

Mr. Houghton alleged that the appellants had wrongly paid Young Frisco—who took part in the contest—his purse from the deposit which he (Houghton) had made with the Boxing Board of Control to cover the fixed purses of a number of other boxers taking part in the same programme.

Mr. Houghton further alleged that the arrangement was to pay Frisco, on a percentage basis, on the morning following the fight. Houghton stated that, in spite of his and his lawyer's request not to pay Frisco in view of another contract under which Frisco had agreed to pay him (Houghton) 50 per cent. of his earnings, the Board paid Frisco a sum of \$1,937 out of the deposit.

WONG IN LAW  
Mr. Justice A. Beckett Terrell found in favour of Mr. Houghton and, entered judgment with costs.

Appearing for the appellants, Dr. C. H. Withers-Payne argued that the learned trial judge was wrong in law in that he should not have admitted in evidence certain documents. In support of his submission counsel quoted several authorities.

Counsel had not concluded his arguments when the court rose for the day.

Mr. K. E. M. Batchard is appearing on behalf of Mr. Houghton, the respondent.



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## COMING EVENTS

JUNE

27—Tides: High 11.10 a.m. Low:

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Sunrise: 6.40 a.m.; Sunset: 8.11 p.m.

Annual Meeting of H.K. Tramways

Ltd., Jardine, Matheson &amp; Co. Office,

noon.

Macao Jockey Club Annual General

Mtg., Prince's Building, 4 p.m.

St. Andrew's War-time Intercession

Service, 6.30 p.m.

Evacuation Representation Commi-

tee Meeting, Rose Room, Peninsula

Hotel, 6 p.m.

Crown Land Sale, D. O. South,

Queen's Bldg., 11 a.m.

Lecture:—Volunteer Nursing De-

tachment, First Aid, St. John's Cath-

edral Hall, 5.45 p.m.

H.E. Governor's Broadcast o.

"Hongkong War Effort," 9.15 p.m.

Indian Assn. Reception to H.E. the

Governor, Gloucester Hotel, 6.30 p.m.

R.A.O.C. Dinner, Gloucester Hotel

Reading Room.

Cheero Club Darts and Table Ten-

nis.

Billiard Exhibition in Aid of B.W.

O.F., Club de Recreio, 9.15 p.m.

Overseas Chinese Production Re-

construction Assn. Tea Reception

Gloucester Hotel, 4 p.m.

Ladies Working Party, Govt House,

9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

28—Tides: High 1.22 a.m. and 11.91

p.m. Low: 5.26 a.m. and 7.23 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.41 a.m.; Sunset: 8.11 p.m.

Lecture:—Dr. Cliff on "Prophecy,"

77 Pokfulam Road, 2nd floor, 8.30 p.m.

Annual Meeting of Asia-M-Ex

Selection Trust, Ltd., 12 Des Voeux

Road Central, noon.

29—Tides: High 2.01 a.m. and 12.36

p.m. Low: 6.07 a.m. and 8.04 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.41 a.m.; Sunset: 8.11 p.m.

30—Tides: High 2.44 a.m. and 1.27

p.m. Low: 6.57 a.m. and 8.46 p.m.

Sunrise: 6.41 a.m.; Sunset: 8.11 p.m.

Women's International Club Meet-

ing, Gloucester Bldg., 1.30 p.m. Mr

Rexley Alley to speak.

## CHUNGKING BAN ON HOLLYWOOD FILMS DENIED

CHUNGKING, June 26 (Central)

—Reports that the Chungking au-

thorities have placed a ban on two

films "The Great Dictator" and

"Pastor Hall" were denied by a

spokesman of the Emergency Time

Film Censorship Bureau in an in-

terview yesterday.

The spokesman said that the

films had never been submitted

to the Bureau to be censored nor

had the Bureau received any re-

ports that the films had been ship-

ped into China.

The spokesman added that he

had only read in the newspapers

that the films were recently shown

in Hongkong and was completely

ignorant of their themes.

## CROSSWORD NO. 918

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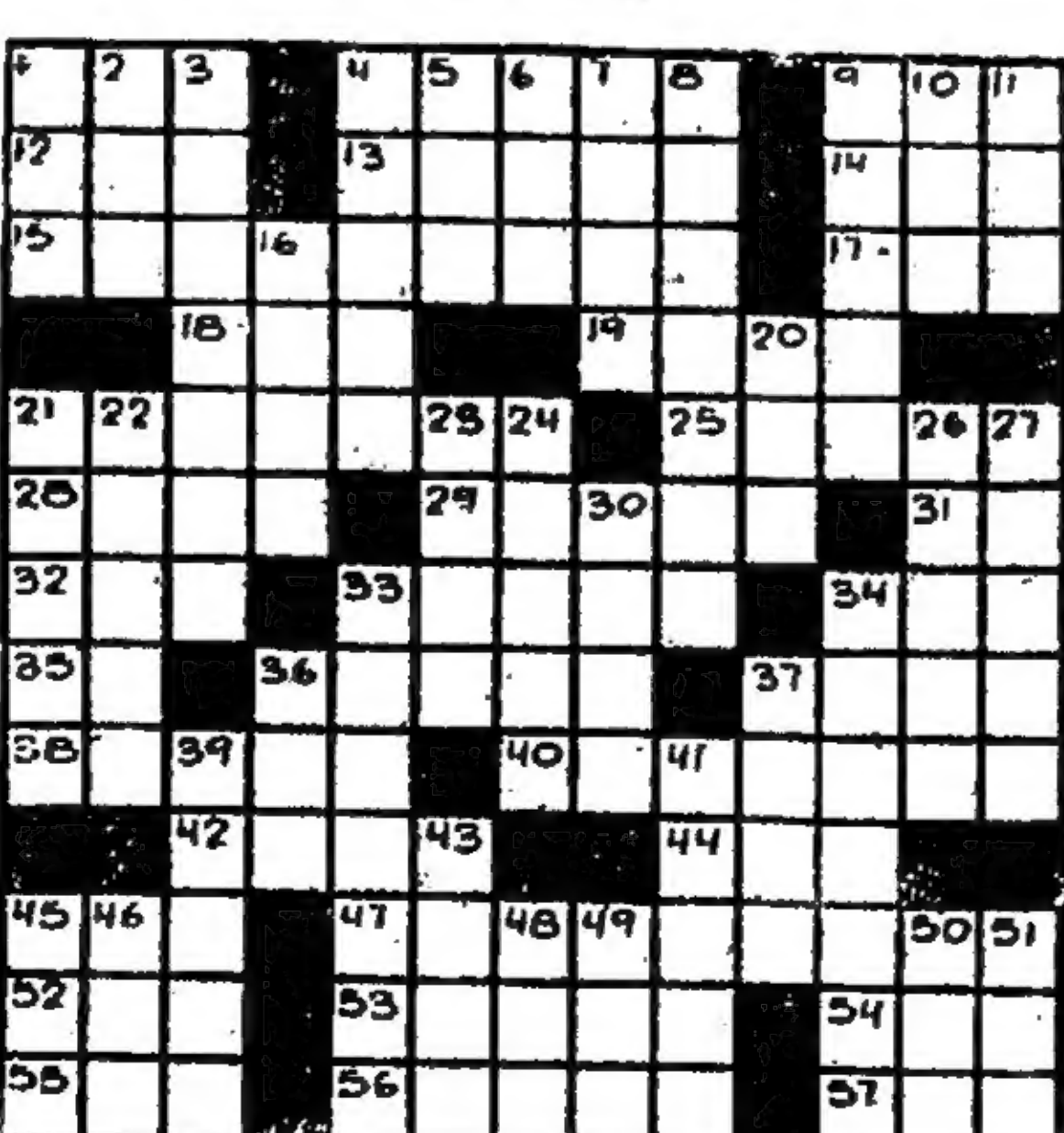
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Fox-Trots—1 Let A Song Go Out Of

My Heart; The Meanest Thing You

Ever Did Was Kiss Me Harry Roy &amp;

His Orchestra. Swing Fox-Trots—A

Mug of Ale; Four String Joe—Joe

Venuti's Blue Four. Slow Fox-Trot—

Melody Maker (film "Band Wagon")

Fox-Trot—The Only One Who's Diffi-

cult Is You (film "Band Wagon")

Jack Hylyton and His Orchestra. Tan-

gos—A Love Letter; A Farewell Letter

—Helms Huppertz and His Orchestra.

Waltz—There's Danger in the Waltz

(from "The little dog laughed")

—Gerald and His Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Pro-

gramme Announcement.

1.02 Variety with Arthur Askey.

—Big and "Stinkers" Farlow Games

—Arthur Askey and Richard Murdoch.

Pianos—Farewell Blues; You Rascal

You; Muddy Waters; Shine; My

Sweetie Went Away; Sweet Jenny Lee.

—Harry Roy &amp; His Tiger Ragamuffins.

Vocal—Deep Purple (De Rose, Parish).

—Bebe Daniels. Little Swiss Whistling

Song (Parr-Davies)—Bebe Daniels and

Ben Lyon. Organ—The Wind Has

Told Me A Story—Tango Habanera

—Reginald Foort. Comedian

—Knitting (Taylor); The Worm

(Woodward and Askey)—Arthur Askey

and Orch.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and

Announcements.

1.45 The Symphony Orchestra with

Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).

The Gipsy Baron—Overture (Joh

Strauss)—The Symphony Orchestra.

The Shepherd Boy's Song (Pepper)

—Peter Dawson (Bass-Bar). with Orch.

Midnight Rose (D'Eranger)—Sym-

phony Orchestra. The Two Gren-

adiers (Schumann)—Peter Dawson

(Bass-Bar) w. Orchestra. Brahms'

Waltzes—Symphony Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

6.00 Indian Programme

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quota-

tions.

6.47 Piano and Violin Recital by

Eileen Joyce and Fritz Kreisler.

Impromptu in E Flat Major, Op. 90,

No. 2 (Schubert); Andante in A

(Schubert)—Eileen Joyce (Piano).

Thais—Meditation (Massenet); Tam-

bourin Chinois, Op. 3 (Kreisler);

Fritz Kreisler (Violin) with Piano acc.

Menuetto Scherzando (Stavenhagen)

—Eileen Joyce (Piano). A May Breeze

—Songs without Words—Mendelssohn

—Fritz Kreisler (Violin) w. Piano acc.

Novelette, Op. 21, No. 6 (Schumann).

Intermezzo, Op. 117, No. 2 (Brahms).

Eileen Joyce (Piano).

7.20 Searlatti—The Good Humoured

Ladies—Ballet.

London Philharmonic Orchestra

cond. by Eugene Goossens.

7.38 Compositions of Johann Strauss.

Roses from the South—Waltz

—March Weber and His Orchestra. Le

Beau Danube Bleu—Lily Pons (So-

prano) with Orchestra. Paroxysms

Waltz, Op. 189—Columbia Broadcasting

Orchestra.

8.00 London Relay—The News.

8.15 London Relay—"Questions of

the Hour."

8.30 Programme Summary.

8.32 Request Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Ma; Playmates—Dick

Robertson and His Orchestra. Quick-

step—The Chestnut Tree—Jack Hyly-

ton and His Orchestra. Tango—Jingle

Bells—E. Bohr's Argentine Tango Or-

chestra. Fox-Trot—South of Paga-

Pago (from the film)—Ray Kinney &amp;

His Hawaiian Musical Ambassadors.

Quickstep—Kiss Me Goodnight Ser-

geant Major—Sidney Lylyton and His

Grosvenor House Orch. Tango—They

Met in Rio; Rumba—Chica Chica

Boom Chic (both from film "That

Night in Rio")—Leo Reisman and His

Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Our Love Affair

(from "Strike Up the Band")—Billy

Cotton and His Band.

9.00 Local Time Signal and An-

nouncements.

9.02 Band Music.

—Review of the Troops—Band of

H.M. Welsh Guards. National Emblem

—March (Bazley); Calling All Work-

ers—March (Eric Coates)—The Royal

Artillery Band.

9.15 Talk by His Excellency The

Governor on "Hongkong's War Effort."

9.35 Band Music.

Fighting Strength—March (Jordan)

Saraland—March (Willcocks)—Regi-

mental Band of H.M. Irish Guards

Hobomoko—Intermezzo (Reeves)—The

Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards

9.41—10.00 News in French (on

Short Wave only).

9.45 London Piano-Accordion Band.

You Don't Know How Much You

Can Suffer (Friend and Franklin);

Angelino Piccolino (Siegel). There's

Never Be Another You (Woods); One

Night in Monte Carlo (Lewis and

Others).

10.15 Request Variety Programme.

Vocal—Ay, Ay, Ay (Perez &amp; Freire)

—Luigi Fort (Tenor). Orch.—Hun-

garian Dance, No. 5 in F Sharp Minor

(Brahms)—Royal Opera Orchestra.

Covent Garden. Vocal—Tomorrow Is

Another Day (film "A Day at the

Races)—Peter Dawson (Bass-Bar-

itone) w. Orch. Vocal—When April

Sings (film "Spring Parade")—Deanna

Durbin with Orch. Orch.—Tales from

the Vienna Woods—Waltz (Strauss).

Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra

cond. by Leopold Stokowski. Vocal—

Music, Maestro, Please (from "These

Foolish Things")—Frances Day with

Orchestra. Orch.—Alice Blue Gown—



## PREDOMINANCE OF AERIAL WARFARE IN THIRD DAY OF NAZI ATTACK ON THE U.S.S.R.

### Helsinki Despatch Reports Leningrad Mass Of Flames Following Dive-Bomb Raids

LONDON, June 26 (REUTERS)—THE PREDOMINANCE OF AERIAL WARFARE AT THIS STAGE OF THE German campaign against Russia emerges from yesterday's semi-official German reports of fighting which mention air attacks on Russian communications and air support for ground forces. The official German agency claims that bombers and fighters of one air squadron on the eastern front destroyed 180 Russian tanks.

The same agency, in a review of the third day's operations on the eastern front, reports that heavy attacks were directed by German bombers against Russian railway tracks and rolling stock. At one point, it is claimed, six trains loaded with troops or vehicles were attacked and the destruction of 17 locomotives by the air force is claimed.

Referring to operation with the ground forces, the agency adds: "Air force operation on the eastern front intervened in ground battles in great force and smoothed the way for the land troops by breaking enemy resistance."

Bombers attacked enemy tanks wherever they showed themselves. Troop concentrations on the whole front were bombed and machine-gunned with great success and supply columns were exterminated, blocking many roads with wreckage.

The same report speaks of reconnaissance by aircraft which also dealt powerful blows to communications in the rear of the enemy.

#### GERMAN COMMUNIQUE

The following communique was issued yesterday by the General Command on the German-Rumanian front, according to a Bucharest dispatch to the official Italian news agency:

"Operations during the first three days have proceeded according to plans established in advance. Some attempts by the enemy to counter-attack were repulsed.

"Enemy aviation made an intensive bombardment of Constantza, Sulina and Galatz, and dropped several bombs on Tulcea, Braila and Jassy, but without

causing any damage of importance.

#### CRUSHING SUPERIORITY

"Our aircraft achieved important military objectives, obtaining everywhere remarkable results. "German and Rumanian aviation have demonstrated in the past three days their crushing superiority over enemy aviation, destroying 400 enemy machines. Out of this total, 30 Soviet planes were destroyed by the Rumanian air force and anti-aircraft guns, and 40 machines were destroyed on the ground by the Rumanian air force which lost a total of 12 machines."

#### LENINGRAD ABLAZE

Reuter quotes a report from Helsinki which was broadcast by the Rome radio that Leningrad is said to be ablaze and that clouds of smoke can be seen coming from the city following heavy dive-bombing attacks.

It is also reported from Finland that Russian defences at Hangö, at the western end of the Gulf of Finland, and airfields in Estonia were also bombed.

An official Finnish communique states: "Russian planes have flown over Kuusmo, Karelian border town, and also places east of Hangö."

From Stockholm, Reuter reports that the Russians are withdrawing to their old defence works on the other side of the River Dnieper, but that the advancing Germans are hampering them in taking up their positions.

#### GREAT CLASH EXPECTED

The Berlin correspondent of the Swedish newspaper 'Tidningen' states that military quarters say that the operations so far have been merely preliminaries to the great clash which is expected when the main Russian army is met, though tactical surprise methods have enabled the Germans to gain considerable ground in some regions.

It is anticipated that the encounter with the main Russian armies will not be long delayed.

The correspondent adds that it is declared that the German forces are faster than anything yet seen in this war or history.

Swedish correspondents in Berlin announce that concrete news.

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## AMERICAN RED CROSS WAR RELIEF

WASHINGTON, June 26 (Reuters)—The American Red Cross has spent over \$18,000,000 and the United States Government over \$16,000,000 on war relief for Britain, Belgium, Canada, China, Finland, France, Greece, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Spain, Switzerland and Yugoslavia.

Almost half of this has been for the British, declared Mr. Laurence Mitchell, of the American Red Cross, in his testimony to the House Appropriations Subcommittee.

Mr. Mitchell said that no instance had been reported of any diversion or confiscation of supplies.

Eleven of 369 ships carrying supplies to Britain had been lost at sea. One shipload for Greece had also been lost.

## INVINCIBILITY OF GERMAN ARMS ONLY A MYTH

### VICTORIES ARE WON BY TREACHERY

MOSCOW, June 26 (Reuters)—"The invincibility of the German army is a myth," declares Lieut. General Michael Khazin, head of the Frunze Academy, the "Alders" of the Soviet Union, in the Communist Party organ Pravda.

General Khazin says that Nazi troops bluster about this myth but their victories of 1938 and 1940 were mainly won by treachery in the rear of their smaller enemies who were always numerically inferior.

The writer cites the German foreknowledge of the Polish mobilisation plans, that Norwegian troops were on manoeuvres with blank ammunition some distance from the German landings, and the signals given from the ground aiding German parachutists who had such effect in the Dutch campaign.

#### YUGOSLAVIA

General Khazin mentions that the Yugoslav Prime Minister, General Simovitch, had to remove many high officers in the few days at his disposal prior to the German assault on his country.

He also refers to contacts between leading Frenchmen and the Germans and declares that the Maginot Line fell chiefly because its flank was turned.

#### IN BALKANS

Finally he points out that the Poles managed to wipe out whole Nazi tank divisions and says that if the Greeks from the Metaxas Line had been able to launch a counter-attack at one moment, the result in the Balkans war would possibly be different.

He adds that whenever the Germans met with serious opposition, they won by weight of material but they have now a large force armed with massive materials who will defeat "the Fascist bird of prey."

## AUSTRALIANS TAKE MERJ AYOUM AFTER HAND-TO-HAND FIGHTING

CAIRO, June 26 (Reuters)—It is officially announced that British and Australian troops have occupied Merj Ayoum and In-bales Saki in their advance northwards. In the right sector in Syria, all is quiet in Damascus. In the coastal sector, by bombarding Vichy positions in the Damour area, the Royal Navy is actively supporting the advance of Australian troops.

A New York message states that the Australians were engaged in hand-to-hand fighting but when they finally occupied Merj Ayoum at dawn, they found the stronghold deserted and that only a few snipers were left.

Vichy forces are reported to have fled northward during the night.

#### AIR SUPPORT

The Fleet Air Arm bombed enemy destroyers in the harbour of Beirut yesterday and also started fires in an attack on Tripoli. Benghazi was heavily raided by the R.A.F.

In Syria, aircraft of the R.A.F. and the Royal Australian Air Force carried out a number of offensive operations.

The railway and aerodrome at Rayak were successfully attacked.

#### DAMASCUS BOMBED

JERUSALEM, June 26 (Reuters)—Over 20 were killed and many

## Turkish Assembly Approves Ankara Friendship Pact

LONDON, June 26 (Reuters)—The Turco-German Pact was unanimously approved by the Turkish Grand National Assembly yesterday, states the Ankara radio. The German Ambassador, von Papen, was present at the Session.

M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, in a statement on the Pact said, "This treaty which regulates the relations of the two countries concerned and which shows that these relations will develop in a friendly manner in the future, is characterised by a definite stipulation that so far as we are concerned it means that Turkey's existing pledges under the Turco-British alliance are foremost and remain intact."

"In this light I consider it my duty to thank the German statesmen who have afforded us the means of working fervently for the establishment of Turco-German friendship by accepting the reservation that we keep our word already pledged to our friends."

"This constituted the main condition in the conduct of the negotiations."

M. Sarajoglu then proceeded to give details of how the pact had been brought about, emphasising that during negotiations both parties had acted correctly and openly.

M. Sarajoglu added "Moreover, we on our part, kept our British friends informed of our negotiations with the Germans, and in most instances carried on consultations with our British friends."

After stating that Turkey had followed fair play, M. Sarajoglu concluded, "It can again be stated on that side that the Turkish army—heroic guardian of our peace—and along the same front, belligerent nations as well as neutrals, and finally world public opinions have taken their stand to safeguard Turkish peace. We will not fall in our effort to prove to the world by future development to remain in this honourable position."

## Anniversary Of Thailand Democratic Constitution

BANGKOK, June 26 (Reuters)—While democracy is horn-locked in mortal combat in Europe, Thailand has re-affirmed her faith in democratic ideals by a three-day nation-wide celebration of the ninth birthday of the Democratic Constitution which she won with a bloodless coup d'etat on June 24, 1932.

One of the coup d'etat leaders is the present head of the Thai Government, Mayor General Luang Pibula Songgram.

#### PUBLIC SERVICES

Besides illuminations, fairs, processions, fireworks displays, tournaments and torchlight parades, the National Day celebrations were marked by the opening of new avenues, trunk roads, railways, a landing station for international flying boats, an internal commercial air line, University buildings, schools, hospitals and a Buddhist monastery where Buddha's relics brought from India have been deposited.

A foundation stone was also laid for a memorial for those who fell in the Indo-China border conflict.

#### PRESENTATION TO PREMIER

"I wish very much for Mr. Matsuo to pay a visit to Thailand," said the Thai Premier to Japanese pressmen, when the latter presented him with an ancient Japanese sword. The Premier said that he wanted to visit Japan but could not find the time at present but he would go when the opportunity was found. He desired to promote co-operation between Thailand and Japan to the highest pitch.

## IMPORTANT ROLE OF SOVIET SCIENTISTS

LONDON, June 26 (Reuters)—Moscow radio yesterday stresses the importance of the part played in the present struggle by Soviet scientists who, under the direction of M. Stalin, have made vast strides in technical and industrial development and, during the present year, achieved surprising results which would have a decisive effect on the outcome of the war.

The output from factories had exceeded all the results anticipated or hoped for. Whereas in 1914 only small arms ammunition and light field artillery shells could be produced in Russia, the U.S.S.R. can produce all types of ammunition and shells for the largest type of guns in sufficient quantities to win the war.

## CHINGHAI GETS FIRST AIR RAID

LANCHOW, June 26 (Central)—For the first time since the outbreak of the war, Sining, capital of Chinghai (Chinese Kokonor), was bombed by Japanese aircraft, according to an official report received here.

General Ku Cheng-luen, Chairman of the Kansu Provincial Government, expressing his deep concern over the incident.

During the Japanese raid over Kansu on June 22, Lanchow in northern Kansu was bombed. For the relief of the victims, General Ku has remitted \$30,000 to the Lanchow authorities.

#### WRECKAGE FOUND

The wreckage of one of the two Japanese planes shot down by Chinese ground defences during their raid over Lanchow has been located.

Crashing into a creek in the eastern suburb of the city, the ill-fated plane has been salvaged and identified as a sea fighting craft bearing the number 1202 and the date, October, the 15th year of Showa.

The plane is equipped with four machine-guns and two parachutes. The two pilots were both killed.

WASHINGTON, June 26 (Reuters)—Defence Plant Corporation announced yesterday that it would build a \$47,000,000 bomber factory at Ypsilanti, Michigan, to be leased and operated by the Ford Motor Company. It is understood that the factory is to be an important part of the United States Army's plan to provide facilities for turning out 500 bombers a month.



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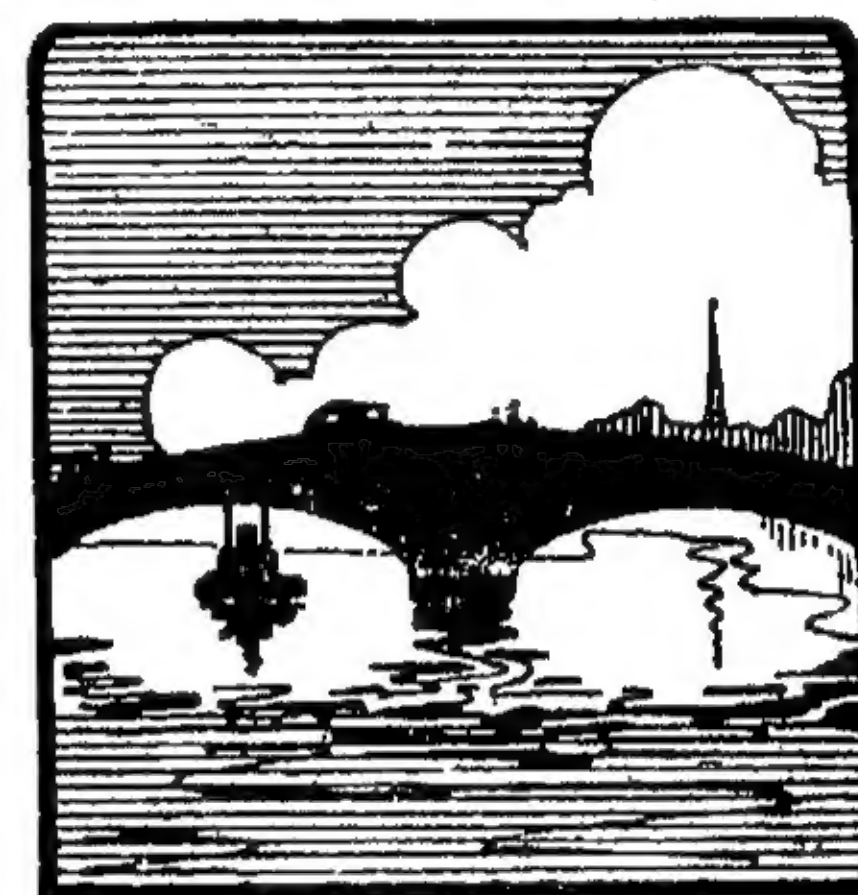
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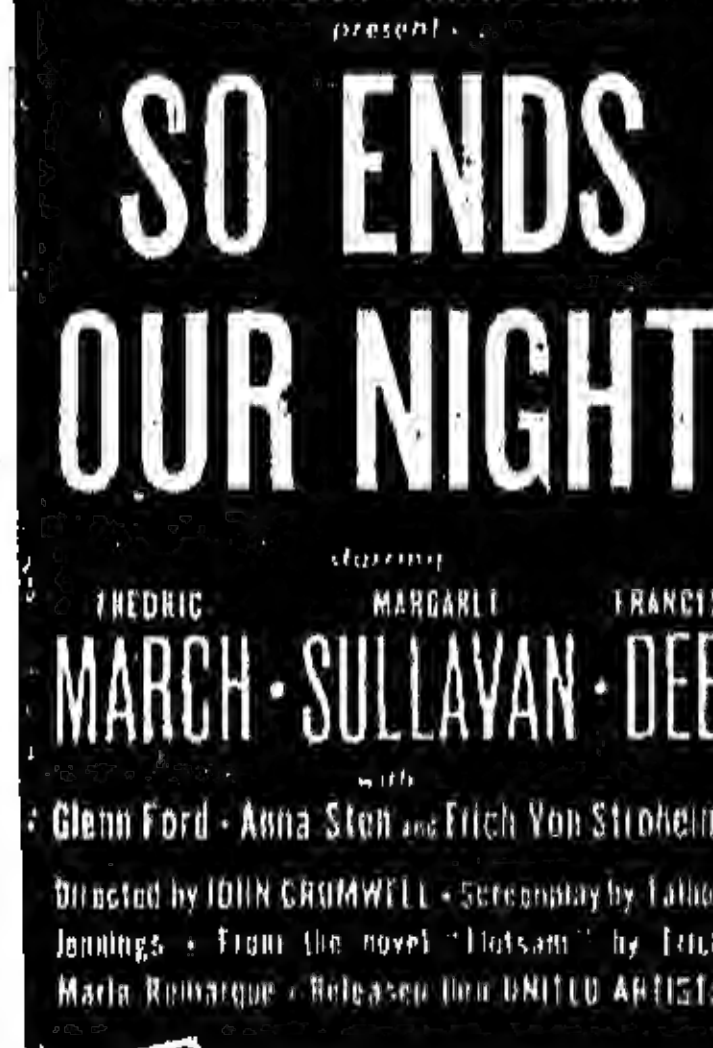
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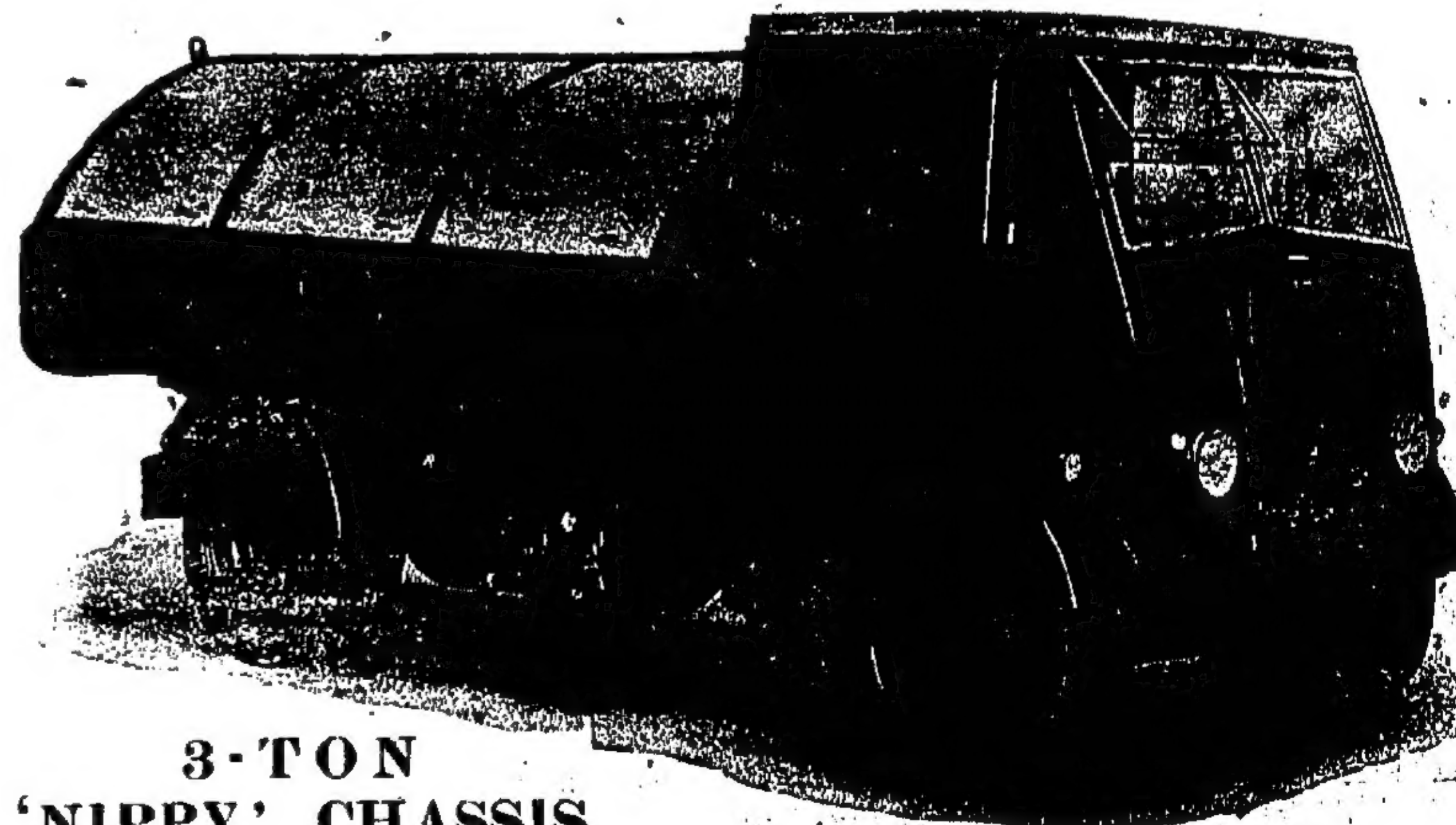
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## WAR REVENUE ORDINANCES OF 1940 PASSED WITH TWO AMENDMENTS

### Governor's Intention To Tax Higher Profits And Salaries According To Full Ability To Pay

WITH TWO AMENDMENTS, ONE REGARDING DEDUCTIONS ALLOWED IN ASCERTAINING PROFITS AND THE OTHER CONCERNING THE LIABILITY OF THE EXECUTOR OF A DECEASED PAYER, THE BILL TO AMEND AND CONSOLIDATE THE WAR REVENUE ORDINANCES OF 1940 WAS PASSED AT THE MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL YESTERDAY AFTER-NOON.

Presiding, His Excellency the Governor said that the preferable course of action appeared to be to get the amended War Revenue Ordinance on the statute-book and then to appoint a committee of very similar composition to consider the advisability either of replacing in 1942-43 the War Revenue taxes by an Income Tax, supplemented possibly by an Excess Profits Tax, or, alternatively, of developing the rate scales of the War Revenue Ordinance so as to tax higher profits and salaries according to their full ability to pay.

"THIS I MAY SAY IS MY PRESENT INTENTION," added His Excellency.

Before calling on the Financial Secretary (Hon. Mr. R. R. Todd) to move the second and third readings of the Bill, His Excellency addressed the Council.

Honourable Members, Before calling upon the Hon. the Financial Secretary to move the second reading of the bill to amend the War Revenue Ordinance I wish to mention one important point in it upon which I regret that I failed to touch when I spoke on the subject on May 29.

It will not have escaped notice that the bill still provides only two rates of taxation, the lower of which recognises that the lowest taxable incomes cannot afford to pay the full rate, the result being that all other incomes, however great, are taxed at the rate which is considered to be fair to the business which earns any profits exceeding \$50,000 p.a. and to the salaried individual who earns anything more than \$5,000 p.a. after deduction of due allowances.

Quite obviously this crude grading does not completely fulfil the Colony's obligations as a unit of the British Empire in war time, and equally obviously we are in duty bound to see that those obligations are so fulfilled.

#### TAKES RESPONSIBILITY

For this inadequacy of the present measure I myself take the responsibility. By the time I had returned to this Colony and had been able to look round, the Re-constituted War Revenue Committee was well on the way to its conclusions, and in view of the War Taxation Department's need for a statute on which to assess and collect during the current year, I decided not to add to the Committee's terms of reference any instruction to consider the addition of higher basic or super-tax rates. That would have meant a delay that would have held the Department up seriously.

The preferable course of action appeared to be to get the amended War Revenue Ordinance on to the statute-book and then to appoint a committee of very similar composition to consider the advisability either of replacing in 1942-43 the War Revenue taxes by an Income Tax, supplemented possibly by an Excess Profits Tax, or, alternatively, of developing the rate scales of the War Revenue Ordinance so as to tax higher profits and salaries according to their full ability to pay. This I may say is my present intention.

#### HON. MR. M. K. LO

Mr. Lo said:—Your Excellency: In view of the very comprehensive statement made by the Hon. the Financial Secretary when he moved the First Reading of this Bill at the last meeting of this Council, I propose to say very little upon its provisions. But I would like to say that since the Report of the Reconstituted War Revenue Committee was published I have received representations regarding the Profits Tax.

These representations point out that whilst under the Salaries Tax a man with a wife and two children can deduct \$8,000 by way of allowance, under the Profits Tax a man with a wife and children, carrying on a business, has to pay

tax on profits in excess of \$5,000 at 7 per cent up to the first \$50,000.

Moreover, as these representations point out the position of a firm consisting of two or more partners with children is more aggravated, the disadvantage being proportional to the number of partners.

#### TAXABLE ENTITIES

But as the Hon. the Financial Secretary has pointed out, the reduction of exemption limit from \$10,000 to \$5,000 under the Profits Tax is to remove or reduce the temptation to evasion by splitting up businesses into two or more firms, and I feel that the disadvantages mentioned above must be regarded more or less as the consideration for treating firms as taxable entities. No taxing measure can be expected to give universal satisfaction, and I therefore do not propose to move any amendment in this matter today.

But I do feel that this question should be reviewed in the light of the working of the tax during the coming year and I reserve the right to bring up this question in due course.

The reasons which prompted the Reconstituted War Revenue Committee to recommend the basic rates of tax of 6 per cent, and 12 per cent are fully set out in its Report. Your Excellency, speaking in this Council on May 29, stated that by way of general intensification of our war effort Government had decided that the general increase of the present rates should be 7 per cent, and 14 per cent.

#### MORE EFFECTIVE

Sir, I venture to think that there is not a single person in the Colony who does not agree heartily with Your Excellency's observations. I have no doubt that the general public will be gratified if, as the result of the increased basic rates, the Colony can be put in the position of making a more effective contribution to the war effort, but what I believe the general public to be anxious about is this: will the prospect of a substantial surplus accentuate the tendency, which is so much deplored by the public, of extravagant expenditure on the part of Government.

I feel sure, Sir, that any assurance which Your Excellency can give that any surplus will be faithfully safeguarded and used only for the furtherance of the Colony's war effort, or for essential local services, will give general satisfaction.

Whatever trials and tribulations may lie before this Colony we are, at the moment, living in security and comfort. It may, therefore, seem presumptuous on our part even to refer to the terrible ordeal which is being undergone by civilians in battered Britain, or to refer to the unparalleled heroism displayed by the fighting forces in the various theatres of war. But I know that everyone in the Colony feels these things deeply, and with such assurance from Your Excellency as I have indicated I am certain that the public of Hongkong will cheerfully bear the burden of increased rates. (Applause.)

#### PRIME OBJECTS

"The prime objects of increasing war revenue taxation was to enable our war effort to become stronger and, at the same time to

### 84 TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In the Colony of Hongkong including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, June 21, there were altogether 84 traffic accidents as the result of which 23 persons were injured.

Of the persons injured, 13 were pedestrians who were struck by vehicles while crossing the roadway.

Of the 84 accidents, 35 were collisions between vehicles; 27 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 21 accidents were due to other causes.

With regard to the Returns of May 24-31, the Chinese female, age 17, who was injured by falling off a moving bicycle on May 23 has succumbed to her injuries.

increase, if possible, our reserves so that we could face the post-war period," said His Excellency the Governor.

Sir Geoffrey added that he was glad that the Hon. member had included in the list of war revenue tax which he (Mr. Lo) had mentioned, the possibility of more of the money going to the improvement of local social services.

His Excellency assured the Council that this was a matter which his successor would fulfil.

#### CHILD ALLOWANCES

Moving an amendment to Clause 13, the Financial Secretary (Hon. Mr. R. R. Todd) said:—

I wish to move an amendment in this clause. At the last meeting of this Council I stated that I had been authorised by Your Excellency to say that further consideration would be given by Government to the allowances for the third and fourth children. As a result of such further consideration I move that in sub-paragraph (1) to the words "seven hundred and fifty" be substituted for "five hundred" in the fifth and sixth lines.

It is felt that in present circumstances it is justifiable to give this further slight relief to the medium-salaried taxpayer who has a wife and three or four children. It means that such a taxpayer will not pay more in Salaries Tax than he did last year unless his income is over \$16,000 per annum.

A man with a wife and three children and an income of \$10,000 a year will pay only \$15, while a man with a wife and four children will pay nothing unless his income exceeds \$10,500 a year. The loss

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### "Friends Of The Wounded" Movement: Fourfold Purpose

An appeal to the Hongkong Y's Men's Club in particular and to all local organisations in general to support one or more voluntary workers for China's military hospitals was made yesterday at the weekly fifth meeting of the Y's Men's Club by Mr. William L. Hsu, Associate Secretary and Founder of the "Friends of the Wounded" Movement.

Mr. Hsu said that the Chungking Y's Men's Club was supporting three such voluntary workers, and many organisations throughout Free China were similarly represented in the hospitals for wounded soldiers throughout the country. The Movement had now 3,000,000 members, ranging from bankers who had contributed \$20,000 to the ordinary peasant who had contributed an egg or a handful of rice.

The Central Headquarters alone had raised \$8,000,000 to spur the Movement on, and there were no less than 80 chapters throughout Free China who were constantly contributing money or supplies. The Friends believed in regular service all the time rather than in the provision of periodic comforts.

The aims of the organisation were fourfold. They were, first, to provide proper diets for the ill and convalescent, second, to provide delousing, bathing and scabies treatment to men come in from the front, third, to provide a laundry and mending service for the soldiers, and fourth, to provide sanitary supplies.

The "Friends" also assisted the Chinese Red Cross and the Chinese Industrial Co-operatives in the work of rehabilitating crippled soldiers.

The military hospitals, Mr. Hsu said, were ministering to more men disabled by lice, skin trouble and dysentery germs, than men who had been disabled by bombs or shrapnel. A great majority of the men hospitalised were suffering from scabies and other skin

### FUNERAL OF MR. J. B. GUTIERREZ

#### LARGE ATTENDANCE AT CEMETERY

The funeral of Mr. Joao Baptista Gutierrez, who died suddenly at No. 6, Carnarvon Road, Kowloon, on Wednesday, took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday.

Rev. G. M. Spada, assisted by Rev. N. Maestrini, officiated at the Chapel and at the graveside.

The late Mr. Gutierrez was of a quiet disposition and was the founder of the now defunct firm of J. B. Gutierrez and Company. He was 61 years of age at the time of his death.

Mr. Gutierrez leaves one son, Fernando, six daughters, three brothers, a son-in-law, two grandsons, and numerous nephews to mourn his loss.

A sheaf of flowers from son, Fernando, and daughters, Lilla, Elsa, Olga Zinda, Betty and Aida was interred with the casket.

#### THOSE PRESENT

Besides the chief mourners, Fernando (son), G.M., J.J., and J. P. Gutierrez (Brothers) and E.M. P.M. G. M. Gutierrez and A. E. Gomes (nephews) and a son-in-law, E. Xavier, those present were Messrs M. L. Rozo, F. Barros, F. X. V. Ribeiro, G. A. V. Ribeiro, L. A. Barton, A. C. Barton, A. Ribeiro, Peter Lo, Andrew Lock, F. X. Mendes, A. de O. Sales, J. Tavares, C. Gutierrez, A. P. Souza, L. R. Campos, C. Agon, M. Agon, V. G. Xavier, E. Passos, P. M. Xavier, R. C. Sales, Messrs L. R. Sequeira, H. O. Barretto, C. H. Osmund, O. A. Remedios, H. T. Jorge, J. M. Noronha, J. M. Figueiredo, L. A. Sequeira, N. B. Mohamed, A. Barros, Wan Yee-ping, Leung Chan-tin, V. M. Xavier, C. M. Sequeira, A. Azedo, C. M. Azedo, C. Cunha, Miss L. Sequeira, and many others.

#### FLORAL TRIBUTES

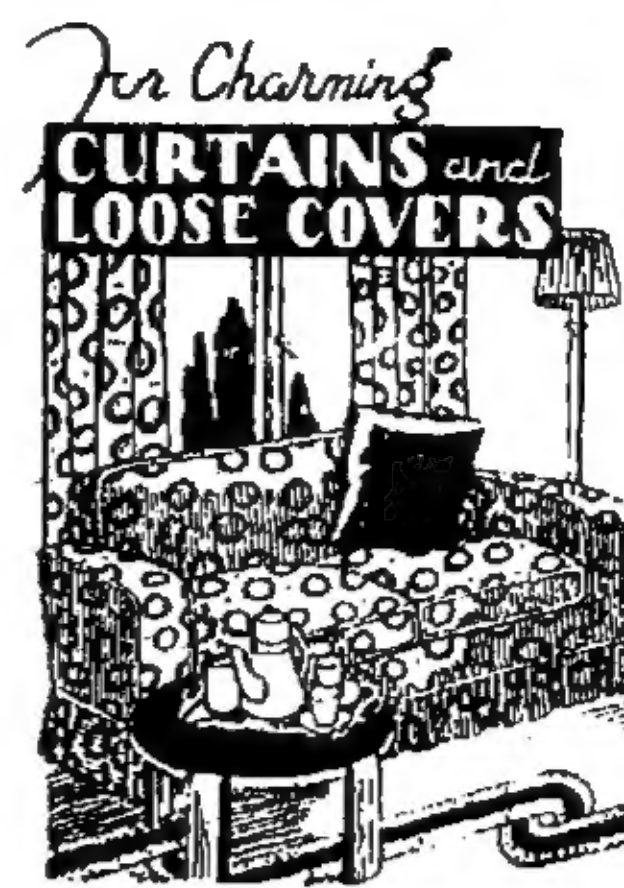
Wreaths were sent by Fernando, Lilla, Elsa, Olga, Zinda, Betty and Aida, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Xavier, Inho Gutierrez, Jojo Gutierrez and family, N. B. Mahomed, Blanche, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Xavier and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sales and family, Chue Shue-kwong, Leung Shu-hing, Leung Cheong-ting, and Gregg Company, Hongkong Lithographic and Tertiarles of the Congregation of the Order of St. Francis.

#### HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Returns of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on June 25:—

Cerebro-Spinal Fever, one case; Cholera, nine cases; Dysentery, eight cases; Enteric Fever, three cases; Puerperal Fever, one case; Tuberculosis, 33 cases

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## BANK HOLIDAY.

In Accordance with Government Ordinance, THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on TUESDAY, the 1st July, 1941. (The First Week day in July.)  
Hongkong, 26th June, 1941.

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## NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that VICTOR ALEXANDRE VIEIRA RIBEIRO of No. 16 Carnarvon Road, Kowloon, Hongkong, is applying to the Governor for naturalization, and that any person who knows any reason why naturalization should not be granted should send in a written and signed statement of the facts to the Colonial Secretary.

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## HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hongkong, on Friday, the 27th day of June, 1941 at 12 o'clock noon, when a resolution will be proposed as a Special Resolution amending certain of the Articles of Association of the Company, full particulars of which have been circulated by post to all shareholders.

A print of the proposed special resolution may be inspected at any time during business hours at the registered offices of the Company, Canal Road East, Bowrington, Hongkong, or at the offices of the solicitors for the Company, Messrs. Deacons, Prince's Building, (first floor), Hongkong.

By Order of the Board,  
W. F. SIMMONS,  
Secretary & Assistant Manager.  
Hongkong, 4th June, 1941.

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## CHINESE ESTATES, LIMITED.

## LOST SHARE CERTIFICATES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Certificates Nos. 260, 261 & 262 registered in the name of Sum Pak Ming covering One hundred and five shares in this Company, particulars of which are given below, have been reported LOST or MISLAIN and NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that unless the said certificates are produced at the registered office of the Company at China Building, 5th floor, Hong Kong within THIRTY DAYS from the date of this Notice, the aforesaid Certificates Nos. 260, 261 & 262 shall be deemed CANCELLED AND OF NO EFFECT and an application to the Company for the issue of duplicate certificates in respect of the said shares will be proceeded with in the usual course.

The particulars of the said shares are as follows:—

No. of Certificate	No. of shares	Distinctive Nos.
260	50	12300 to 12349
261	50	12350 to 12399
262	5	12400 to 12404

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
FUNG PING FAN,  
Director & Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 30th May, 1941.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG

## PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS of RICHARD LANCELOT DEANE WODEHOUSE late of Woodlands Cookham Dean in the County of Berks in the United Kingdom formerly of Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Court has by virtue of the provisions of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1897 made an order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to 19th July, 1941.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

## DEACONS.

Solicitors for the Executrix.  
1, Des Voeux Road Central,  
Hong Kong.

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## UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Applications are invited from Chinese graduates in Economics for the post of Lecturer in Economics at the University of Hong Kong, to give courses in Chinese Economic History at a salary of \$3,000 per annum.

Applications, which should be addressed to the undersigned, should reach the University not later than Saturday, 5th. July 1941.

STANLEY V. BOXER,  
Registrar.

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## THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

## NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING.

The SIXTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 10th July, 1941, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 3rd July to the 24th July inclusive.

By order of the Board,  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.  
General Managers.  
Hong Kong, 14th May, 1941.

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## ENJOYABLE CONCERT

A very enjoyable evening was had by all when a Variety Entertainment, arranged and compered by Mr. David Kossick, was presented to a large audience at the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home last night.

The artists who took part included Freddy Archer, Arthur Nobbins, Stanley Hinchliffe, "Scotch," Maude Deacon, Miltz Glover, Ian Heath, A. D. Spoor, Bill Doxford, David Kossick and others. The stage manager was Monty Ditton who was assisted by Les Barker.

Mr. A. F. Barclay, son of Mr. A. T. Barclay, of Finchley, London, was married on June 14 at Holy Trinity Cathedral to Miss Ingeborg Mavis Jorgensen, youngest daughter of Capt. S. P. Jorgensen, of Shanghai.

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## "WAIT AND SEE" IN JAPAN

WHILE the immediate interest in the Russo-German conflict has centred round the reactions to this development in Europe and the United States, the strange twist which Herr Hitler's move has given to Japan's place in world affairs is only now beginning to be apparent. The position in which Japan has now been placed as a result of the Nazi invasion of the Soviet Union is decidedly an awkward one, since she admittedly has become involved in the closest contact with both of them, her commitments being such that she will find it difficult to make up her mind on the attitude she should adopt for the future. It is believed in some quarters that Japan's ties with her European partners are infinitely stronger than the conditions under which she accepted a pact of friendship with the Soviet, but it will be remembered that political circles in Japan looked upon Mr. Matsuoka's success in bringing about this rapprochement with Russia as a brilliant diplomatic triumph. Faced now with the spectacle of her two friends engaged in a bitter struggle against each other in Europe, to all intents and purposes Japan has been forced into adopting a policy of wait and see—for what?

THE QUESTION immediately arises because of the repeated affirmations made by her leaders of the determination of their Government to honour the terms and conditions of the Tripartite Pact. Do these statements mean that Japan regards her pact with Soviet Russia as being of less significance to her foreign policy? The answer to this brings in a wealth of speculation, in which suspicion is uppermost as to what course Japan's military clique will decide to follow. Japan's habit of bluffing in order to create tension and uneasiness is well-known, but in nearly every instance of major importance she has shirked putting her loudly trumpeted threats and boasts into execution. It is in this attitude, therefore, that her present reactions are being considered, the prevalent idea being that she is in much too difficult a position to create trouble in the Far East and that any imminent danger to Malaya and the Netherlands East Indies has consequently been removed, at least for a time.

THE MANNER in which Japan has accepted her reverse in the trade negotiations with the N.E.I., indeed, lends colour to this belief that wiser counsels are beginning to prevail in Tokyo and that it is being realised there that to involve Japan in a war in the Pacific would be suicidal. We sincerely hope so and we may add to that plous thought by hoping that Japan may be brought to the same way of thinking as regards her relations with China and decide to make an honourable withdrawal and full restitution to the Chinese if she wishes to regain the respect of the world. At the

## Why Lady Assessor From Home?

At the meeting of the Legislative Council next Thursday afternoon, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, C.B.E., will ask the following questions:—

Will Government make a statement on the appointment of a lady assessor from England for the War Revenue Department with particular reference to the following points:—

1. In view of the evacuation why it was considered necessary to send a lady officer out from England to Hongkong?

2. Whether any efforts were made to secure a suitable candidate locally or from among the evacuees?

## SUBSCRIPTIONS TO WAR-TIME BONDS

## \$15 Million Expected To Be Raised

The campaign soliciting subscriptions to the Chinese Military Supply Bonds is proceeding apace and more than NC\$15,000,000 worth of the bonds is expected to be subscribed to by the end of July, according to a responsible official of the Hongkong Chinese War-time Bonds Committee.

More than 500 units of local Chinese public organisations have been mobilised for promoting the campaign and satisfactory results have already been achieved.

The Committee, it is learned, yesterday received a letter from the China Benevolent Association in Lethbridge, Canada, enclosing a remittance order for \$15,000, (Chinese Currency) for the purchase of the Bonds.

The Chinese Manufacturers' Union here has solicited subscriptions of \$157,000.

## FALL TO DEATH

A man, Tan Chen, 20, fell to his death from the fourth floor of No. 77, Tong Mei Road, Mongkok district, about 1.30 a.m. yesterday. He died in hospital at 11.40 a.m., both his legs having been broken in the fall and his skull, it is suspected, fractured.

He had partly broken his fall by clutching at the electric wires strung by the house and had pulled these down a distance of 70 yards on each side.

His hands were badly cut and burned.

same time, the links in the chain which bind Tokyo to Berlin and Rome continue to clank disturbingly. It is this contact with the Axis that fails to allay suspicion and only a declaration of complete disassociation from the Tripartite Pact will convince the world that Japan has taken heed of the writing on the wall.

UNTIL SUCH a gesture is forthcoming, it would be imprudent to regard Japan as having faded out of the political picture. Close observers see in the very passivity of Japan's acceptance of her failure in the N.E.I. talks fresh ground for suspicion. After all, they argue, these talks were in the economic sphere—what of her political plans, now that Germany and Russia are at war? These plans will undoubtedly have to be altered and the changes for the moment may mean the postponement of her southward expansion, which will, in theory, invest Malaya and the N.E.I. with a sense of security. But with the example of Italy's stab in the back at France when she entered the war last year, the possibility of Japan delivering a similar stab at Russia must not be overlooked. Chinese circles insist on attaching greater significance to this possibility than anything else in the new development and Japan's "wait and see" policy may be designed to see just when that stab at Russia may be most effectively delivered.

## CORRESPONDENCE

## EXPORT CONTROL HARDSHIPS

The Editor, Hongkong Daily Press

Sir,—In your morning contemporary, an inch of space was devoted under the caption "Philippine Exports" to the effect that the Russo-German war will result in considerable easing up of export control since it will now be impossible to transship goods to Germany through Siberia.

This news has brightened hopes amongst local merchants engaged in intercoastal trade, hoping the local authorities may also decide to revise their strict control of exports from Hongkong to permit a resumption of normal business, and to re-establish the importance of Hongkong as a "clearing house" or transit port.

We see daily in the papers of smuggling being organized on a large scale and small, but there is no way of computing the extent of success achieved through these subversive activities beyond the fact that operations are still considered profitable despite the frequent cases brought to book through "information received."

While bona-fide merchants do not question the necessity of exercising some control of exports of goods which could be of benefit to the enemy, the local Control of Trade Office has been dealing with unnecessary severity in most cases by ignoring the soundest considerations which merchants may submit in support of their applications for export licences for all kinds of goods, irrespective of the merits of each individual case.

Continually, it has been either "refused" (without reason given) or "British Consular Certificate is required" (a special concession). Innumerable cases, when such certificates are finally obtained after considerable difficulty, the applications are still refused—and no satisfaction given.

Accustomed as we are in Hongkong to accept the high handed manner in which our common rights are abused under the omnipotent cloak of "emergency measures," merchants are not in the minority who view with misgivings the present unhelpful attitude of the authorities, and the serious setback to an important aspect of the dwindling trade of Hongkong.

The object of this letter, however, is neither intended to vent grievances nor to recriminate against the hardship merchants have had to endure. It is written with the earnest and sincere hope that it will come to the notice of the authorities and persuade a reconsideration of their present attitude, and in the light of the new developments (which justify the easing of export control in the Philippines, that Hongkong will follow suit in a spirit of collaboration, and regain a portion of the transit trade which has, incidentally, diverted to other points in no little proportion.

Yours, Etc.,

ADAM.

## GOVERNMENT PRICE CONTROL POLICY A WASH-OUT

[The Editor, H.K. Daily Press]

Sir,—At the meeting of the Equitable Rice Sales Fund Committee, held at the Medical Headquarters on Monday, it was revealed that a letter had been received from the Rice Controller informing the Committee that, as the price of rice has been increased by Government, that body was to sell their stock at the new price of \$17 per picul instead of \$14.80!

To the credit of the Committee it decided to reply to the Rice Controller to the effect that as the Committee was not formed to sell rice on a profit-making basis it should be permitted to dispose of its stock at the old price.

The above would appear to lend weight to the argument that Government's price control policy is a wash-out in that it fixed the minimum selling price and NOT the maximum, although the notices issued by the Food Controller invariably give the prices as the latter.

As an example, a certain brand of butter was being sold by the provision stores at \$1.15 per pound. A Government order was issued fixing the maximum price for that brand at \$1.25. The result was that the "compradores" immediately put the price up to that maximum!

HARD HIT.

## SIR FREDERICK WHYTE SAYS—

## TIME GAINED BY GERMAN ATTACK ON RUSSIA MUST NOT BE WASTED

"There are people who say that time is on our side. If you put it just that way, it is not true. It is only true if we use every moment of this time to speed up our production and to keep our seas open," said SIR FREDERICK WHYTE, K.C.S.I., and former Political Adviser to the National Government of China, when he broadcast from London on Wednesday on the reasons which led Herr Hitler to embark on his campaign against Russia.

"Herr Hitler's attack on Russia is, of course, the news of the moment," said Sir Frederick. "But to us here in London, it is not as great a surprise as his original pact with Russia in August 1939.

## TRUE TO FORM

"In this new attack, the German Fuehrer is running true to form in the manner of his breach of faith and in the suddenness of the attack. You will remember that in 1934, in a speech to the Reichstag, Herr Hitler said: 'Perhaps I shall not be able to avoid an alliance with Russia. I shall keep that as my trump card, but an alliance with Russia will not prevent me from attacking Russia when my aims in the west have been achieved.'

"If Herr Hitler had been talking to his Reichstag in 1940, instead of in 1934," continued Sir Frederick, "He might have said: 'I shall attack Russia, not after my aims in the west have been achieved, nor because they have been achieved, but in order that my aims in the west can be achieved.'

"Here we can see that the experience of the war has compelled Herr Hitler to put his aims into a different order. What we ask is what difference does it make to the final result that Herr Hitler has turned east before he has settled his final account in the west?

## THE DIFFERENCE

"The immediate difference is that we are being given a little longer to brace ourselves for the final round. I heard two fire-watchers talking about this on the street the other day. One said: 'What a wonderful opportunity this is for us.' 'What for?' asked the other. 'Why, to pile up arms while he is busy with Russia,' was the reply.

"That was London's first reaction to the news—the sensible one too. When the world heard Mr. Churchill telling us that is the fourth turning point of the war, it was clear that he had this very same view in mind.

"Herr Hitler never meant to leave Russia alone, but he has always regarded the liquidation of the Soviet as the climax of Nazi policy in Europe. His onslaught on Sunday must be taken now as another step towards the climax of subjugating Britain.

## ROUND-ABOUT ROUTE

"Is this change of direction a technical move in his strategy or is it a sign that his time-table has gone wrong? Perhaps it is both. Since the failure of his onslaught against Britain last August, he has taken a round-about route to reach us. He may have reminded himself that the longest way round is the shortest way home, but he has certainly chosen rather a long way, shortened perhaps by the speed of modern armaments, but the longest nevertheless.

"His aim is still the Suez Canal by making an immense sweeping move through the Black Sea. In that movement he may succeed, but there is many a slip twixt the cup and the lip. But should he succeed in his plan, he will be able to pick up all he needs for his war machine from the Russian oil and grain fields.

"This is an emperor's dream. The weight and speed of the German attack may make it a reality, but how long will it take to accomplish? No one knows—literally no one, not even Herr Hitler and his General Staff. But one thing we do know and that is that we have earned a space of time which most of us did not expect.

## TIME FACTOR

"There are people who say that time is on our side. If you put it just that way it is not true. It is only true if we use every moment of this time in the right way in speeding up our production and in keeping our seas open. If we use the space of time Herr Hitler has given us well, British and American production will reach such proportions that by the time Herr Hitler turns round again, his

chances will have narrowed down. "That is not wishful thinking or guess work," continued Sir Frederick. "It is plain fact. But there are other factors—one affects us and the other affects the Germans. What affects us is the Battle of the Atlantic, which sways now in our favour and now in favour of the Germans. That is our main concern.

"There is the extent to which the German war machine may become too widely spread in the campaign which opened on Sunday. The resistance of Russia will count both in the time which Herr Hitler will have to take to get to the Red Sea and the cost it will take. Of the two, time is more important than cost.

## QUICK RESULTS

"The German army chiefs, we know, never hesitate to make huge sacrifices to get quick results. If the results are not obtained, the time spent may be fatal. Therefore, the cost is not the number of men lost or material destroyed, but in the week and months spent and which are never to return.

"To whom is this time factor more important? To both, of course, but most of all to us. We have already gained something by the fact that Herr Hitler has turned eastwards again and each month he spends on this campaign is a greater gain for us.

"It is too early yet to estimate the strategic position of Germany and Britain. There will be a better occasion for this later on, but as we stand on this 25th of June we can look back to June 25 a year ago and find good reason for fort. Though we cannot look far ahead, certainly not as far as June 25, 1942, we are facing the year that lies ahead of us with confidence that is born of strength.

"Mr. Peter Fraser, the New Zealand Prime Minister, greeted us on his arrival here with the words: 'These unconquerable isles.' That is how we feel and we shall prove that Mr. Fraser was right before we finish with Herr Hitler," concluded Sir Frederick.

## NEWSETTES

His Excellency the Governor has kindly consented to distribute the awards at the annual Prize Day of St. Stephen's College, Stanley, on Saturday, July 12, at 4.15 p.m.

The forthcoming marriage between Mr. Tse Chi-kong, merchant, of No. 8 St. Francis Street, and Miss Kong Ying-wa, of No. 18 Chinese Street, was announced at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday.

There was a good attendance at St. Andrew's Hall last night when Mr. E. C. Thomas gave an interesting "Travel Talk" illustrated by lantern slides.

At the Country Hospital, Shanghai, on June 20, a son was born to Judith (nee Zirinsky) wife of Mr. W. J. Citrin.

The death occurred on June 20, suddenly at his residence, in Shanghai, of Reginald Joseph McGregor, late of McGregor Iron Works, Ltd., in his 27th year. The funeral took place at the Hungjiao Road Cemetery on June 23.

The death occurred on June 21, at 154 Tifeng Road, Shanghai, of Mary Jane Shewring, aged 72 years, of the Christians' Mission, Ningpo.

The death occurred on June 17, at her home, Lane 132 House K-22, Park Road, Shanghai, of Mrs. Sul Ying Ehlal, aged 51 years. Funeral services were held on June 20, at the Pahlenko Cemetery.

The marriage took place on June 14, at the Church of Christ the King, Shanghai, by Rev. Father McGreal, of Alberto Antonio Basso Da Silva, eldest son of Mrs. Estelira Azeedo Basso Da Silva and the late Mr. Jose Maria Basso Da Silva, to Angela Maria Colliaco Rolis, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joaquin P. C. Rolis.



## AMERICA'S PREPARATIONS: PRODIGIOUS PROGRAMME FOR NAVY AND ARMY

The American Navy is indeed ready, within the limits of Mr. Stimson's meaning. He meant Atlantic convoy, and the Navy has the ships for that duty in itself. But he did not mean that the U.S. Navy was ready to take on all the Axis powers in two oceans states "Time." If it were, the U.S. would not now be desperately building a second-ocean Navy which is four to six years from completion.

(Under construction in the Navy programme—biggest, costliest (\$4,000,000,000) ever undertaken—are 17 battleships, 54 cruisers, 201 destroyers, 78 submarines, 12 aircraft carriers, 175 auxiliaries.

**ONE BLUNDER**  
The Navy's one big admitted blunder has been its longtime failure to provide protection for anti-aircraft gun crews on the decks of its vessels. Col. Frank Knox said last month, "Our officers appreciated the possibility of air attack, but their failure to translate the appreciation into protection for the ships is the one real miscalculation they made during the 20 years of peace." This miscalculation of the effectiveness of aircraft also was mirrored in the failure of the High Command to provide as much aircraft equipment as a modern navy should have.

The Marines are expanding from a force of 25,000 to 80,000 men. They are well fixed for seasoned, ranking officers, will soon be short of qualified junior officers. Rated first though they are for fighting now, they need more automatic and semi-automatic weapons, pack artillery transport vessels. Said a ranking Marine recently: "We are going to have an amphibious war, and damn soon I wish we had another year to train our people. I don't think we'll get it."

**PRODIGIOUS PROGRAMME**  
The Army's prodigious expansion since last autumn speaks for itself. 1300,000 men put into uniform, 45 new cantonments completed or nearly so, a new Armoured Force (two divisions) now doubling, and soon to triple, many another example of conquered difficulties, great accomplishment. Against the physical visible facts of that record, the sum total of delays and mistakes seems picaresque. Army men need not blame themselves when they accept Secretary Stimson's estimate that they are at least a year from readiness for modern war.

The U.S. and its Army will be doing very well if that estimate is made good. If General Wesson's fears for delayed ordnance production are fulfilled, it will take more than a year to equip the Army. At super-human best, peak production on most of the schedules already drawn will not be reached before 1942. Since aircraft production has first place on these schedules, the rest of the Army can hardly expect to fare faster or better than the Air Corps.

**FIRST-LINE PLANES**  
In February Secretary Stimson said that the Air Corps had nearly 4,000 planes. Mr. Stimson had rated only 650 as "first-line" planes, and conceded that the Air Corps had none up to the battle standards of World War II. About seven in every ten of the military planes now coming from U.S. factories are being exported, mostly to Great Britain. At this rate, the Air Corps will be fortunate indeed if it is anywhere near equipped for war on its own by late 1942.

If Britain should fall, and all plane exports stop the Air Corps probably would get about two-thirds of the total U.S. production (the Navy would get the rest). Piling up aircraft on that basis from this month on, the Air Corps could expect to have about 8,000 new planes by 1941's end. Of these, a large proportion would be trainers, an unhappily large proportion also would be fighters whose prototypes are already obsolescent in horsepower and firepower.

**20,000 PLANES**  
By September 1942 (on present production schedules) the Air Corps would have perhaps 20,000 new planes—in numbers at least, a very respectable war force—plus the production necessary to replace battle losses and maintain an adequate reserve.

The Army has a vast problem in training men and officers as well as producing machines. Not till 1942 will most members of the draft Army have a year's training as soldiers. With shortages of equipment and of trained field officers the training of the men will probably be none too far advanced by then. Today the Army in the field is a great school force, whose officer-teachers themselves have to be taught. Given equipment, given time, given competent command, the job ahead, can be done, but so far it has only been begun.

**BADMINTON FOR SOLDIERS**  
LONDON, June 26 (Reuter)—Once football has closed down, the authorities responsible for sporting activities among the Allied armies at present in Great Britain are confronted with a problem as few show much interest in England's national summer game of cricket.

Lawn tennis, however, is popular as is also badminton, and responsible officials are giving every encouragement while the British public is helping by supplying equipment and balls for these pastimes.

## 25-YEAR-OLD NEWCOMER TO FAMOUS POLISH SQUADRON

LONDON, June 26 (BWS)—A 25-year-old newcomer to a famous Polish squadron opened his score in the first offensive sweep on Monday by shooting down one ME-109 and probably a second.

In the second day he destroyed three—the third one he rammed cutting off its tail with the propeller of his Spitfire after all his ammunition was gone.

He is now in hospital suffering from a cut forehead and a broken collar bone. His squadron was acting as escort in an attack on a target in Northern France when 50 miles inside France at 14,000 feet, a ME-109 flew in to attack.

Wheeling round, he fired five bursts with his cannon. The third burst blew the enemy into tiny pieces. The Polish pilot was about to take up the position in the squadron when he saw a ME-109 attack a companion. He fired two short bursts at the ME-109 which started a dog fight.

**SHORT BURST**  
When he turned away, the Polish pilot chased after him. A short burst sent the enemy down in flames. Again the pilot attempted to rejoin his squadron over the Channel but was attacked by another ME-109.

When the Pole realised he had run out of ammunition, he turned sharply inside the 109 and rammed it, cutting the whole of the tail unit with the airscrew.

His windscreen was covered with oil and a broken fragment from the enemy got him in the face. He made for the English coast blinded by blood which poured from the wound and landed in a small field.

The aircraft struck a telegraph pole and in the crash, he broke his collar bone. By his success he brought the squadron's score to 151 destroyed since the last day of August, 1940.

## ROUND-THC-CLOCK AIR ASSAULTS

Hitler was now finding himself fighting an air war on two fronts which was a wonderful opportunity for us, said Major Allen Murray, when he broadcast from London last night.

We had taken the offensive in the air before this but we must be round-the-clock over Germany and the enemy occupied territory. Two-hundred to 400 bombers were being sent over a night including many of the new ones from the United States.

During daylight raids the enemy's losses were five planes to every one of ours.

## DISTURBANCES IN MADRID

### HOARE'S REPORT

LONDON, June 26 (Reuter)—The British Ambassador in Madrid, Sir Samuel Hoare, has now reported to the British Government on his conversation with the Spanish Foreign Minister, Senor Suner, regarding the disturbances outside the British Embassy in Madrid and on the protest which Sir Samuel then delivered.

The British Ambassador received certain assurances from Senor Suner, but it is added in London that it is not possible at the moment to go into details, as there has not yet been time for full consideration of Sir Samuel Hoare's report.

## MORE MINISTERS IN AUSTRALIAN CABINET

CANBERRA, June 26 (Reuter)—Announcing the enlargement of his Cabinet, the Australian Prime Minister stated that separate Ministers had been appointed for supply and development, and munitions and new Ministers appointed for aircraft production, industry and war organisation, and home security.

## NATIONAL SERVICE CONSCRIPTION

CHUNGKING, June 26 (Reuter)—All graduates of medical, dental and nursing schools this summer will be conscripted for national service, the Government announced. Graduates are to report for duty one month after graduation.

## NAZIS STRANDED IN JAPAN EMBASSY OFFICIALS IN QUANDARY

TOKYO, June 26 (Reuter)—German Embassy officials in Japan are scratching their heads over ways and means of taking care of Germans stranded in Japan as the result of the closing of the Siberian route.

Aside from a large number of more or less permanent residents which have been largely increasing in recent years, almost 100 German travellers registered at the Imperial Hotel alone, while approximately 150 members of German Consulates in the United States are due to arrive in Japan soon.

Additionally 50 to 60 members of German firms in South America are expected to come to Japan and more than 400 German women and children are scheduled to evacuate from the NEI to Japan.

**ECONOMIC MISSION**  
At present there are also several groups on official business including the Nazi economic mission headed by Herr Wolthat as well as others representing the German Propaganda Ministry and other interests.

The German Embassy authorities feel that German residents are capable of accommodating a great majority of those without definite means of livelihood but if the war becomes drawn out the lack of communications with the mother country is seen as a serious problem.

## Wops Leave For Soviet Front

ROME, June 26 (Reuter)—Signor Mussolini flew to Verona today to inspect an army division which is preparing to leave for the Russian front. He piloted his own plane.

Mussolini said that he had come to review the troops "before an event which would remain memorable in the experience of the soldiers, for it is probable that they will fight against Soviet Russia, the mortal enemy of civilisation." Mussolini was accompanied by General Cavallero, Commander-in-Chief of the Italian Army, and General von Rintelen, German Military Attache in Rome.

## BIG U.S. NAVY ORDER

### 2,831 VESSELS

WASHINGTON, June 26 (Reuter)—The United States Navy has ordered 2,831 vessels, to the cost of \$7,234,000,000, since the beginning of the last war, stated the Secretary for Navy, Colonel Knox.

So far, 775 ships have been completed, comprising 337 combat vessels of 1,250,000 tons, 154 auxiliary vessels, 105 minelayers, 144 patrol vessels and 35 other craft.

LONDON, June 26 (Reuter)—Five Dutch butchers have been sent to a German concentration camp for illegal slaughtering of meat, according to Dutch circles here. (This sentence was described as a warning)

## Much Speculation About Real Capabilities Of Me-109F

LONDON, June 26 (BWS)—Since Spitfires and Hurricanes of the R.A.F. began shooting down specimens of the new mark of Messerschmitt single-seater fighter, the ME-109F, there has been a good deal of speculation about the purpose for which it is designed and its real capabilities.

Four obvious differences between the new ME and its predecessors are that it has a more powerful engine, changed armament, redesigned wings with rounded wing tips, and the new tail of the plane now devoid of bracing struts.

There are other changes too such as making the tail wheel retractable and giving a general cleaning up to the silhouette which clearly aim at greater speed. It is obvious these various improvements will result in a higher ceiling and better performance at a height.

**SEVERAL MODIFICATIONS**  
Britain's own single-seater fighters, Hawker, Hurricane and Vickers Spitfires have undergone several modifications since the war began.

## NAZI PUBLIC AND FAR EAST

CHUNGKING, June 26 (Reuter)—During the present war the German people have shown little interest in Far Eastern developments while the Nazi Party members look down upon China and defend Japan's actions, claims a special article published in today's official CENTRAL DAILY NEWS written by a Chinese who recently returned from Germany.

In this connexion, according to the article, the Germans may be divided into five groups:

Firstly, those completely uninterested;

Secondly, those who are non-committal;

Thirdly, those who are sympathetic to China;

Fourthly, those who are ignorant of Chinese affairs, but wish to hear the Chinese viewpoint; and

Fifthly, those who blindly follow the German Government's policy, thereby looking down on China and defending Japan's action.

The first group forms the majority of the German public and the fifth group is the next largest, the article adds.

## Turkish Ship Torpedoed ANKARA AROUSED BY INCIDENT

NEW YORK, June 26 (Reuter)—At 10.30 p.m. yesterday an unidentified submarine torpedoed the Turkish ship Rifha en route to Alexandria and sent it to the bottom with 73 out of the 201 passengers, said the Ankara correspondent of the National Broadcasting Company in a broadcast from the Turkish capital this morning.

The torpedo, the correspondent reported, broke the vessel in two and only one lifeboat could be launched.

The ship had on board 100 Turkish naval officers and men described as the "cream of the Turkish Navy" who were en route to England, it was stated.

The incident has aroused considerable feeling in Ankara as the ship carried an illuminated Turkish flag and arrangements had been made with Germany and Italy to ensure its safe passage.

## BISMARCK SUPPLY SHIP SUNK

LONDON, June 26 (Reuter)—The 9,000-ton German liner Elbe, which has been sunk by British aircraft in the Atlantic, was undoubtedly one of the Bismarck's supply ships. She is the eighth enemy supply ship which has suffered the same fate as the battleship Bismarck.

The Elbe left Tokyo in February.

## MASS BRITISH RAIDS

LONDON, June 26 (British Wireless)—Recent Air Ministry communiques, describing heavy raids which the R. A. F. has been making on each of the past 13 nights on the industrial heart of Germany have frequently stated that the raids have been carried out by "a strong force".

Authoritative quarters state that such a force would comprise anything from 250 to 440 bombers.

## Value Of Economic Help Allies Can Give Russia Keenly Discussed

LONDON, June 26 (BWS)—THE VALUE OF THE ECONOMIC HELP THE ALLIES CAN GIVE RUSSIA IN THE PRESENT CONFLICT IS KEENLY DISCUSSED IN INFORMED CIRCLES HERE where the question is regarded as second only in importance to that of the Soviet's capacity to contain Germany's vast military offensive.

The two questions are in fact closely related. If the Russians succeed in holding the Germans, the economic consequences will be extremely damaging to the invaders.

Lost already are all supplies from Russia and lost are all supplies from the East via the Trans-Siberian Railway. Particularly damaging will be the loss of petroleum and lubricating oils.

If the Germans succeed in occupying parts of Russia, their gain depends on firstly, how much territory they occupy, second how quickly and third, in what state they find the territory.

## ACQUIRE VERY LITTLE

Should the Germans obtain possession of the Ukraine and the Caucasus only after a delay of six or eight weeks, they will probably acquire very little of the 1941 harvest.

depending on the condition in which the industry is found.

If Russian retreaters destroy or remove the stocks and make the plant unusable, the Germans cannot obtain much additional petroleum in Russia for at least a year. New holes must be drilled and new equipment provided, and so far as is known, the Germans have not sufficient resources to refurbish and restock.

Regarding agriculture, the effect in the war of Stalin's farm collectivisation policy is all to the disadvantage of the Germans. Not only must precious German oil be diverted to keep farms going—since the Russians have not enough horses to replace mechanised equipment, but complete reorganisation of agriculture will be necessary.

## DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS PRODUCE

LONDON, June 26 (Reuter)—Co-operative arrangements have been made to deal with the surplus of Australian and New Zealand produce for the period of the war, as a result of discussions with Britain.

A committee, under the chairmanship of MR. ARTHUR GREENWOOD, has been considering the question of these surpluses.

Asked in the House of Commons as to whether the agreements for the disposal of the surpluses will be continued after the war, Mr. Greenwood stated, "Yes."

Reserve of foodstuffs and raw materials will be built up in both Dominions to be available at the end of the war for needy countries in Europe, free from the Nazis. They may gain petroleum big loss.

As for minerals, if the Germans need iron ore and having the shipping available, they can get it. If they reach the Ural, there is pig iron and steel. But can the Germans restart the industrial machinery and management.

Unless they complete their task very quickly and unless the Russians—an unlikely event—leave the organisation in all forms intact, the Germans' venture during the next 12 months will entail a big loss.

**CENTRAL SYSTEM**

Collective farms are worked on a central planning system of raw materials, equipment, and management, and so on being obtained from central points and if the Russians shall have taken the precaution to remove keymen and specialists, the Germans will have to import anything to a quarter million men including agriculture managers, book-keepers, storemen and many other grades.

**ENTIRE GERMAN WAR MACHINE**

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**RUSSIANS RETAKE PRZEMYSL**

MOSCOW, June 26 (Reuter)—While German tanks have broken through the Russian line in the northern part of Soviet-occupied Poland, the Russians have retaken Przemyśl in the south, according to a communique issued by the Soviet Information Bureau today.

Yesterday, the communique declares, German mobile forces launched an offensive in the area of Vilna (Wilno) and Baranovitch (Baranowicz), about 120 miles south of Vilna.

Large Soviet air formations successfully fought enemy tanks in this region, it is stated.

German attempts to break through in Lemberg (Lvov) and Brody (about 55 miles north-east of Lemberg) directions are meeting strong resistance by counter-attacking Soviet troops supported by powerful air forces, and the enemy's mechanised formations are suffering heavy losses.

**SWIFT COUNTER-ATTACK**

"The fighting is continuing. In a swift counter-attack, our troops recaptured Przemyśl (about 60 miles west of Lemberg on the San River which forms a line of demarcation in Galicia).

"In the region of Czernowitz (Cernauti), capital of Bukovina, our troops repulsed strong attacks by the enemy who attempted to cross the Pruth River.

"In the Bessarabian sector, Soviet forces firmly hold positions on the eastern bank of the Pruth and repulsed numerous attempts to cross the river in the region of Scutari (on the Pruth about 60 miles north-west of Kishinev).

"The Germans tried to advance but suffered heavy defeat and their remnants are being pressed beyond the Pruth. A number of German and Rumanian troops were taken prisoner.

"Our air force dealt a number of devastating blows against German aerodromes in Finland, bombed Memel and enemy shipping north of Libau (Liepaja) on the Latvian coast) and petrol depots in the port of Constanza (Romania)."

**PAUCITY OF NEWS**

ANKARA, June 26 (Reuter)—There is a great paucity of news here about the Russo-German war; the Russians following their usual lines of only giving out official Tass Agency reports.

The Germans here, however, today admitted that in the southern fighting they have not met the main Russian forces.

Observers believe that the Russians have not had time to fortify Bessarabia. Therefore, their tactics may be to use armoured divisions there to hold up and harry the German advance until the Germans reached the Dniester where it is known the Russians have massive fortification.

Moreover, the topography of Bessarabia is not suitable to defensive action whereas the Dniester, with its deep banks, constitutes a natural defensive front.

The Germans here fully realise that in order to benefit Germany, the attack must be very swift.



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## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

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Friday, the 27th June 1941  
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A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE  
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Rugs, Ornaments, Cutlery, E. P.  
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A FEW PIECES OF BLACKWOOD  
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- 1 Radio gram "Pyre"
- 2 Ceiling Fans

View from Thursday, the 26th  
June, 1941

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## SUMMARY COURT ACTION:

Indian's Claim For Return Of  
Money Lent Non-Suited

"IF YOU ARE FOOL ENOUGH TO LEND MONEY WITHOUT  
GETTING AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT FOR IT YOU MUST SUFFER  
THE CONSEQUENCES." Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall told Ghulam  
Yusuf, watchman, the plaintiff in an action at the Summary Court  
yesterday, claiming for the return of money lent, and in which his  
Lordship directed a non-suit.

Yusuf claimed from Mahmood Khan, another watchman, of No.  
5, Queen's Road Central, the sum of \$345, being balance due for  
money lent. Plaintiff alleged that altogether he had lent defendant  
\$595 of which \$250 had been repaid by defendant. He also  
claimed costs of the action.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. M. A. da Silva and defendant by  
Mr. Alfred S. K. Lau.

Yusuf, in evidence, stated he  
had known defendant for some 14  
or 15 years. In October, 1929, de-  
fendant told him he had to go  
back to India but could not do so  
unless he repaid some debts, and  
asked him for a loan. In all, on  
various occasions, he lent defen-  
dant the sum of \$440 which defen-  
dant promised to remit from India  
by selling some property there.

In June, 1931, witness received a  
letter, acknowledging the former  
loan of \$440 and asking for a fur-  
ther loan of \$70 or \$80, but this  
was refused. Defendant came back  
to Hongkong in 1933 and borrowed  
\$150 to go to Shanghai.

## REPAYMENTS REFUSED

From 1937 to 1938 defendant re-  
paid \$245 and when witness asked

## ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

## AT CENTRAL

## MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE

Hearing of a manslaughter  
charge against Chan Ng, 62, un-  
employed, was fixed for July 9 at  
2.30 p.m. by Mr. H. O. Sheldon,  
K. C., yesterday.

Defendant, who was allowed  
\$100 bail, was alleged to have  
unlawfully killed one Chan Sing  
kwu at the Whitty Street works  
of the Hongkong and China Gas  
Company on June 14.

Det. Sub-Ins. C. T. Byron is in  
charge of the case.

## NO EVIDENCE OFFERED

The Police not offering evidence,  
five men charged on two counts  
of armed robbery were discharged  
by Major A. N. Macfadyen yester-  
day.

Defendants were Kwok Chung,  
29, unemployed, Ng Ming ho, 28,  
unemployed, Chan Ming kam, 28,  
unemployed, house runner, Li Kam  
sing, 24, unemployed, and Chan  
Hing, 27, boarding house runner.  
Det. Sub-Ins. C. T. Byron was in  
charge of the case.

## DECISION RESERVED

Decision was reserved until  
Saturday at noon by Major Mac-  
fadyen yesterday in the case in  
which three persons described as  
brokers, Ip Nai fong, 65, Ip Kwai-  
chi, 54, and Pau Him, 60, are  
charged with larceny by a trick of  
\$1,570 from one Lam Hong at the  
Golden City Restaurant, Queen's  
Road Central, on June 11, when  
hearing was concluded.

Det. Sgt. W. Summers prosecut-  
ed.

## POSSESSION OF DRUGS

Owing to insufficient evidence,  
Wong Man-nuen, 35, accountant  
of the Sun Tai Shan Boarding  
House, No. 152, Connaught Road  
Central, charged with unlawful  
possession of 1,000 heroin pills at  
the boarding house on May 4, was  
discharged by Mr. Lowry yesterday.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ ap-  
peared for the defence and plead-  
ed not guilty.

Senior Revenue Officer W. V.  
Ahern prosecuted.

## INDECENT ASSAULT

A fine of \$50 or two months'  
hard labour was imposed by Major  
Macfadyen yesterday on Ip Yee-  
po, 40, earth cooler, on a charge  
of having indecently assaulted a  
19-year-old apprentice printer,  
Ng Cheong on the hillside near  
Poon Road, Gough Hill, on June  
25.

Sgt. G. Willerton prosecuted.

## COMPLAINANT IN HOSPITAL

Man Shu, 31, carpenter, was re-  
manded for 48 hours by Major  
Macfadyen yesterday on a charge  
of having assaulted Ku Ying-pui,  
causing him grievous bodily harm,  
at No. 530, The Peak.

Sgt. G. Willerton, who is in  
charge of the case, informed the  
Court that complainant was still  
being detained in hospital.

## HUNGER PLEA SUCCEEDS

Pleading guilty but saying that  
his stomach had been empty for  
two days, a 45-year-old unemploy-  
ed, Chu Leung, was discharged  
with a caution by Mr. G. T. Lowry  
yesterday on a charge of larceny  
of three pounds of bread from a  
tricycle at Bonham Strand East  
on June 25.

## AT KOWLOON

## LARCENY BY BAILEE

Wong Wing, 20, unemployed, ap-  
peared before Mr. H. C. Macna-  
mara yesterday on a charge of  
larceny by bailee of a bicycle from  
a shop at No. 31 Pitt Street on  
June 25 and was bound over in  
the sum of \$10 for six months.

It was stated that accused went  
to the Kung Sang Bicycle Shop  
at No. 212 Temple Street, and  
offered to sell the bicycle in ques-  
tion to the master. The latter  
had him arrested on seeing the  
mark of the bicycle as belonging  
to the shop in Pitt Street.

Sgt. Whitcroft prosecuted.

## CANING FOR JUVENILE

A 13-year-old juvenile was or-  
dered by Mr. Macnamara yester-  
day to receive six strokes of the  
cane when he was charged with  
the larceny of a straw hat.

Sgt. Whitcroft, prosecuting,  
said that the complainant, Lo  
Yu-sang, shopkeeper, while walk-  
ing along Nathan Road on June  
25 at 11.30 a.m. an unknown Chi-  
nese male snatched his straw hat  
from his head and threw it to the  
boy. The boy ran away with the  
straw hat but was arrested at  
Jordan Road near Canton road.

## FIREWOOD PROFITEERS

Three firewood dealers were  
summoned before Mr. Macnamara  
yesterday for selling firewood in  
excess of the price fixed by the  
Controller of Trade on May 29.

They were Yam Kwai-ying, mis-  
tress of Hop Yick Firewood shop,  
No. 85 Kwellin Street, Fung

Hing, master of Fung Kung-chun  
Firewood shop, No. 315, Tai Nam  
Street, ground floor and Cheung  
Yung-kwan, master of the Kwan  
Cheung Firewood shop, No. 170  
Cheung Sha Wan Road.

First and second defendants  
were fined \$50 and the third \$25.  
Inspector Nollath prosecuted.

## STOLE ADMIRALTY COAL

Man Kau, 28, master of class  
IV boat No. 1240B, and Ng Mei,  
33, fooki of the boat, appeared  
before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson on  
the charge of unlawful possession  
of 1,691 lbs. of Indian coal, valued  
at \$35 the property of the Ad-  
miralty, on board boat No. 1240B  
in Victoria Harbour on June 24.

It was stated that on June 24,  
at about 2 p.m. an Indian Ser-  
geant of the Royal Naval Yard,  
while on patrol in a motor boat,  
saw a boat anchored at Buoy No.  
18 and loading the coal in ques-  
tion on board from some other  
boats nearby.

First defendant was fined \$50 or  
two months and the second \$25  
or one month.

Sgt. Manwaring of the Royal  
Naval Yard Police prosecuted.

## D. O. SOUTH

## DANGEROUS DRUGS

Lau Fat appeared on remand  
before Mr. T. J. Houston yester-  
day charged with the possession  
of 8,990 heroin pills at Tai Sun  
Back Street, Cheung Chau, on  
June 18.

Accused pleaded guilty, and stated  
that he obtained the pills from  
No. 5, Bonham Strand East.

Sentence of six months' hard  
labour and \$2,500, or an additional  
six months' hard labour in lieu  
of the fine, was passed. Accused  
was also recommended for banish-  
ment.

## HEROIN PILLS

Ma Sik-pang was formally  
charged before Mr. Houston yester-  
day with the possession of  
2,000 heroin pills at the Cheung  
Chau Ferry Wharf on June 25.

A remand of seven days in goal  
custody, was ordered by his Wor-  
ship.

Sub Inspector McMahon prose-  
cuted in both cases.

## HALF COSTS

His Lordship said that to his  
mind there had been financial  
transaction between the parties.  
He was satisfied that plaintiff had  
advanced a certain sum of money  
to defendant but plaintiff had to  
satisfy him what certain sum was  
owing. He said that plaintiff had  
failed to satisfy him that defen-  
dant owed the amount claimed for  
and, under the circumstances, he  
proposed to enter a non-suit with  
half costs to defendant.

All-Embracing Struggle:  
Hitler Must Be Beaten  
At All Costs

It is true that Hitler must be defeated at all costs. While  
the Nazi menace still exists, the whole world is prevented from  
putting its affairs on a reasonable and equitable basis. We are  
all in the position of citizens whose town is partly occupied and  
dominated by a ruthless armed gang. Thus, we have all to turn  
ourselves into vigilantes. There is no other possible course,  
writes J. B. Priestley in "Life." People who say it is no affair  
of theirs are either potential fifth columnists or escapists hiding  
behind other people's backs.

Some of us have been saying  
these things not only since the  
war started but also for some  
time before the war, when it was  
obvious that sooner or later the  
Nazi challenge would have to be  
stoutly answered.

## NOT GOOD ENOUGH

But some of us too have been  
compelled to point out since the  
war began that merely to say we  
are fighting for our existence and  
to leave it at that is simply not  
good enough. It is a dangerous  
over-simplification of the issue.

Undoubtedly we are fighting for  
our existence, but for our exis-  
tence as what? For example, are  
the British people battling and  
tolling and suffering as they never  
did before only to preserve a  
miserable faulty system, to keep  
huge unemployment figures,

wretched slums, the control of  
policy by vested interests, the  
privileges of the rich? Nobody,  
of course, dares admit this. We  
are told that everything will be  
different after the war. Just get  
on with the war, they say to us,  
and stop worrying.

## SUDDEN CHANGE

But we are bound to be rather  
cynical about some of these gen-  
tleman (not Mr. Churchill, who,  
it will be remembered, was com-  
pletely out of favour with our  
pre-war ruling clique), for we  
have been hoodwinked before.  
We cannot help suspecting this  
sudden change of heart, which  
only came when the country was  
in immediate danger. Why should  
these men, who were so obtuse  
and self-centred before the war,  
have changed so completely? What  
will they be like when all  
the danger is past?

And that is only the beginning  
of our doubts. We are now en-  
gaged in that grim and all-  
embracing struggle known as total  
war. We cannot fight such a war  
properly without changing the  
whole economic and social struc-  
ture of the country.

## DIFFERENCE NEEDED

Even the man who only cares  
about defeating Hitler and does  
not give a rap for social justice  
has to recognise the fact that a  
Britain organised for total war  
has to be different from a peace-  
time Britain. Whether you like it  
or not, you have to make many  
profound changes.

Now though such changes may  
be dictated by the urgent neces-  
sities of the war effort, they can  
follow more than one line, and  
the line they follow will be laid  
down by the political convictions  
of those in power. Briefly, the  
issue is between those who wish  
to force the people and those who  
would trust the people, really be-  
tween a disguised totalitarianism  
and a real vital democracy.

## VITAL DEMOCRACY

In my opinion, it is necessary  
to bring into existence, within the  
limits of the war effort, a real  
vital democracy in Britain not  
only because social justice de-  
mands it but also because the war  
itself demands it. It is the very  
people here who cry, "Get on with  
the war and stop chattering about  
your aims and plans," who are  
most likely to hinder us from  
winning the war. To begin with,  
they have no sense of a complete  
war strategy, in which civilian  
moral plays a very great part.  
It is they who, by insisting upon  
regarding this war as a nationalis-  
tic affair and by loudly denounc-  
ing all Germans as such, have so  
often fallen into Goebbels' hands  
and helped him to line up the  
German people behind Hitler.

Again, it is on the shoulders of  
the ordinary folk of Britain that  
the chief burden of this war is  
falling. Fortunately their moral  
is high, but it is more likely to  
remain high, or even reach greater  
heights, if they are convinced that  
they are tolling and suffering not  
to preserve something faulty but  
to bring into existence a better  
quality of life for all their kind.

## "STICKING IT"

The British are good; none bet-  
ter, at merely "sticking it," but  
there is a very difference between  
more endurance and an ardent

enthusiasm. The latter can re-  
lease new stores of energy and  
goodwill. If we are merely pre-  
serving an old country, then we  
do our best but soon stand on  
our "rights." But if we are need-  
ing to create a new country, which  
is to be ours, then we care noth-  
ing for rights and privileges and  
sectional interests, but hurl our  
selves into the common task.

Therefore, from every point of  
view, except that of persons who  
believe their own privileges and  
interests are even more important  
than the result of the war it is  
essential that we should have  
aims and plans, and that we  
should begin to create a new  
vital democracy not simply after  
the war but here and now. Our  
immediate plan should be the  
maximum war effort plus the  
maximum possible social equity.

## BRITISH LIFE

We cannot achieve equality of  
sacrifice but we can at least move  
in that direction. And, be it  
noted, the Government has all the  
power it needs, for this was voted  
it without discussion nearly a  
year ago, and with full public  
approval.

British life is essentially an  
elaborate network of corporate  
associations that are non-political  
in character. (This is one of our  
sources of strength.) And much  
can be done with such associations  
in the post-war world, not only  
nationally but also international-  
ly. It is a mistake to think too  
much in terms of the state.

The community, which is never  
the state, can work both inside  
and outside the more rigid polit-  
ical framework. And I believe  
that it is in a balance between  
such associations, of which trade  
unions and professional leagues  
and guilds are an example, and  
the state, which may exercise  
control at times to protect the  
community, that the future of true  
democracy may be found.

POLICE COURT  
STAFFS NOW  
FIREFIGHTERS

The Police Courts staffs, the  
last Government department to  
organise their own fire-fighting  
squad, held their first practice  
on the police court compound,  
Singapore.

Besides all Government depart-  
ments, most of the business houses  
have their own fire-fighters, and  
the number in the Colony is at  
present 8,000.

It is reliably understood that  
1,500 fire-fighters are still in  
training and that there is a large  
number on the waiting list.

All these fire-fighters, trained  
or in training, will be on duty  
during tonight's black-out practice  
from after office hours until dawn  
on Tuesday.

The entire Police Courts staffs,  
ushers, clerks and tumbles—with  
the exception of the magistrates,  
turned out for yesterday's prac-  
tice, and were instructed on how  
to deal with incendiaries—ther-  
mite and electron—a mock bomb  
being used for the demonstra-  
tion.

SHE IS 105, BUT  
IGNORES BOMBS

Miss Alice Perceval, of Chelsea the  
granddaughter of Speaker Spe-  
ncer Perceval who was shot by the  
madman Bellingham in the lobby  
of the House of Commons in 1812,  
will be 105 on Wednesday, writes  
an "Evening Standard" corre-  
spondent.

I saw her busy knitting for the  
Red Cross, in spite of her age, she  
has been waiting on.

The raids do not worry her.  
Some time ago, a bomb dropped  
fairly close to the nursing home at  
which she is staying. The blast  
blew out a window in her room. Her  
only comment was that she did  
not like the noise.

She told me: "It is all right,  
living 105 years, but it's such a  
nuisance to be slightly deaf."

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discovered regarding even the  
simple things of life. Surprisingly  
little is known, for example, about  
the mental processes which  
operate in inducing sleep and which  
persist during the hours we are  
asleep, and yet we spend some-  
thing like a third of our lives in  
this unconscious state. Some  
people can sleep easily; others  
find it difficult to woo the god-  
dess of sleep even when tucked up  
snuggly between the sheets.

Yes, it is nerves—strained, frayed  
starved nerves—which account  
for the prevalence of insomnia in  
the modern world. It is nerves  
which cause sleep to be restless  
and sap the vitality and under-  
mine the health.

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over there is nothing to equal a  
cup of Ovaltine. A cupful of this  
delicious, concentrated tonic food  
beverage soon soothes the tired  
nerves and quickly induces restful,  
natural restorative sleep and while  
in the "land of nod" it re-charges  
the entire nervous system with  
vitality and energy. Ovaltine is  
prepared from the vitalising ele-  
ments of malt, creamy milk and  
new-laid eggs. Its value as a vi-  
talising food is greatly increased  
by the liberal use of eggs in its  
manufacture. And the eggs, by the  
way, are of the finest quality for  
they are obtained from the Oval-  
tine Poultry Farm, perhaps the  
largest and best equipped poultry  
plant in the world.

PEER MOURNS  
PERFECT WIFE

The Countess of Lonsdale, wife  
of the fifth Earl of Lonsdale, died  
at her home, The Stud House,  
Barleythorne, Oakham, Rutland,  
recently. She had been ill for  
about three weeks.

Lord Lonsdale, who is 84, is the  
famous sporting Peer and donor  
of the Lonsdale Belt, one of the  
most prized trophies in boxing.  
Lady Lonsdale, whom he mar-  
ried in 1878, was Lady Grace  
Cecil Gordon, daughter of the  
10th Marquis of Huntly.

Lady Lonsdale shunned the  
limelight and was content to play  
a quiet, domestic role in the midst  
of her husband's tenacity, to whom  
she was lady bountiful.

She was among the leaders  
of English women philanthro-  
pists. Her friends described  
her as the "shining example  
of a perfect wife."

On Oct. 15, 1928, she and Lord  
Lonsdale celebrated their golden  
wedding, and Lord Lonsdale, in  
the middle of a speech about his  
wife, stopped short, but his arm  
round her and kissed her.

Lord and Lady Lonsdale kept  
both the dignity and the simpli-  
city of the old nobility.

When they dined alone at Low-  
ther Castle, Lord Lonsdale would  
rise at the end of dinner, glass in  
hand, and toast the King.  
They would drink it together.  
Then he would bow to his coun-  
tess, hold the glass high, and toast  
"The Ladies."

SIGHTLESS V.C.  
ADOPTS THE  
BLITZ-BLINDED

Five war-blinded civilians are  
learning to conquer despair and to  
make a fresh start in life under the  
care of Captain Sir Beachcroft  
Towse, the blind V.C.

Sir Beachcroft, now 76, has  
opened the greater part of his  
home, Long Meadow, Goring-on-  
Thames, as a civilian St. Dunstan's.

It will be eventually a training  
centre for between 15 and 20 peo-  
ple who have been blinded in air-  
raids.

He talked to me of his present  
charges—four women and one man,  
writes Andrew Kidd in the "Sun-  
day Chronicle."

## BLINDED AND DEAFENED

"In one of the early bombings at  
Portsmouth, the man completely  
lost the sight of one eye, and has  
been left with only a glimmer of  
sight in the other," said Sir  
Beachcroft.

"Then he was in a second bomb-  
ing, and was deafened."

"Despite these disabilities he is  
remarkably cheerful and is mak-  
ing an excellent job of sawing  
wood."

"From my own experiences I  
have learned that the best possible  
thing, for blind people is to give  
them something to do."

## REUNION SOON

There will soon be a reunion at  
Long Meadow of wife and husband,  
both blinded in an air raid.

"The wife, who is a mother of  
two children, is already with us,"  
said Sir Beachcroft, "and her  
husband, who is still in hospital  
will join her as soon as he is con-  
valescent."

Sir Beachcroft, who was blinded  
in the South African War, has since  
learned to play golf, to become an  
expert typist, and to do all kinds  
of handiwork.

## STYMIED

A few restaurants in occupied  
France have signs "No Jews Ad-  
mitted," among them a Russian  
restaurant in Paris. One evening,  
when it was full of German offi-  
cers, two obviously non-Aryan men  
walked in and sat down.

The waiter was embarrassed.  
He asked them whether they had  
seen the sign, and they said  
"Yes," and calmly asked to be  
served. The waiter called the  
manager, and the dialogue was  
repeated.

Finally the manager asked a  
high German officer to talk to the  
two Jews. The officer also asked  
them whether they had seen the  
sign. They said "Yes," but did  
not budge—they just introduced  
themselves as members of the  
Soviet Embassy in Paris—Mrs.  
Jessica Hensley in N. Y. Herald-  
Tribune.

tess, hold the glass high, and toast  
"The Ladies."

He would sit down and Lady  
Lonsdale, rising and bowing, would  
hold her glass to him, and say  
simply "The Gentlemen."

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## THE CONVOY ISSUE

### U.S. Speakers Argue For And Against Sending America Into The European War

U.S. LOST IF THEY ENTER BATTLE

EUROPE'S WAR IS AMERICA'S FIGHT

By Hamilton Fish

By Major-General John F. O'Ryan

Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee of Congress.

Lawyer and wartime Commander of the 27th Division, A.E.F.

My position is simply this. I am in favour of all aid to the democracies consistent with our own national defence, but opposed to our involvement in European or Asiatic wars unless attacked. I am willing to maintain that position until the cows come home.

I should say first that I speak for myself alone, and that neither the War Department nor any other Department of the Government has any responsibility for my views.

I do not believe that the European war is our war, or that we had anything to do with starting it. If it is our war, then we are a lot of cowards and cravens for not having been in it a year and a half ago.

When the American people gave their support to the "Lend-Lease Bill" they confirmed their conviction that Britain's fight is our fight, and as well the fight of other peoples not yet blitzkrieged. Obviously their purpose was to give to Britain war materials and food supplies needed to keep their people going while we create and train forces adequate to meet the Hitler challenge for world domination.

Let us get the convoy issue straight. Convoys means shooting and shooting means war. The conveying of ships into the war zones is an act of war. The Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, a well-known interventionist, made this emphatic statement before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs. It should be perfectly clear to every school boy by this time, that if the President orders our war vessels to convoy British ships or sends our own merchant fleet with war material to England, he would be deliberately putting us into the war. So after George, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said recently "I have always stood against conveying vessels by the American fleet," because conveying would lead us into actual war.

Further I believe it is the purpose of the American people to insure the delivery of these war materials to the British, and not to permit them to be destroyed while en route to Britain. The British cannot spare the shipping or naval craft to enable them to "come and get it." To give, is to deliver. Any other policy would be fatuous. It would mean an invitation to Hitler to make of the cargoes, fireworks, or food for the fishes. Therefore we are certain to convey such shipments.

I am unwilling to believe that President Roosevelt has any intention of violating or repudiating his repeated promises and pledges to the American people to keep us out of war. Although I belong to the opposition party and have opposed many of the new deal measures, yet the President of the United States is my President as well as that of 130,000,000 other Americans.

The job in hand is to arm the British, lead them sustain them, and so soon as we can, support them with all our power for Britain is now playing the role of the lone policeman battling on behalf of all civilized peoples against the force of evil. We have no other choice, for Britain at the moment is standing between us and potential disaster.

PRESIDENT HASN'T RIGHT

NOT EUROPEAN WAR

I confess that the repudiation of such solemn promises, involving the lives of our youth and the security and destiny of America is inconceivable and unthinkable to me. Moreover, I do not believe the President has the right to order the conveying of ships into the war zones without the consent of Congress. The use of convoys, on the authority of the President, would be a deliberate attempt to drag us into war, and would make President Roosevelt the foremost repudiator of his word in American history. It would constitute a brazen betrayal of the millions of loyal Americans who had faith in his assurances and pledged word and voted for him.

This is not a European war. Hitler has not confined his ambitions to Europe. His troops and bombers are now in North Africa. An army of Fifth Column experts are hard at work in South America, in Mexico and here in our own homeland. His ships of war are at large in the North Atlantic. In the present state of the world only resolute and forthright peoples who will fight and sacrifice for their freedom and rights, can survive. We propose to survive. Re-read our war history.

Let every American throughout the land resolve tonight to sacrifice his personal comfort, ambitions and distracting minority views in the common interests of our country. The situation warrants that he do so in the words and with the selflessness of those who founded the Republic, and who in the Declaration of Independence publicly, and at the risk of their lives, dedicated to its freedom and the war then being fought, to secure it, their lives, their property and their sacred honour. Eternal vigilance and sacrifice make up the price of liberty. And our first step is "all-out" support for the lone British policeman in his inspiring resistance to tyranny.

In that case his dulcet tones, like the Piper of Hamelin Town, would be equally deceptive and disastrous to the mothers and fathers of American who will have to pay the Piper as in the story of old, with the lives of their sons. If President Roosevelt takes this final step to war, by ordering, without the consent of Congress and the American people the conveying of ships into the war zones, he and he alone will be responsible to God and country.

No member of Congress, whether he voted for or against the Lend-Lease Bill, wants to see any of the articles for the defence of England sunk. If the sinkings get worse we could transfer more of our merchant ships to the British, and possibly some more old destroyers for additional bases, but the responsibility for conveying and getting the war supplies across is up to the British navy. First, last and all the time.

Between losing a shipload of war materials which can be duplicated, and losing a shipload of American boys who cannot be duplicated on this earth, there can be only one answer. I do not propose by my vote to send American boys to watery graves trying to get to Europe, Africa and Asia.

However, the signal bell ringing in the engine room of an American naval vessel to start the first convoy would be equivalent to a declaration of an undeclared war by the President.

The American people should make their views known to the President and to their Senators and Representatives in Congress now. The only time to wage war against war is in peace. War would mean disaster to us—bankruptcy, untold bloodshed, and the end of American democracy.

REPORT DISBELIEVED  
I want to make it very clear that I do not believe the reports circulating in Washington, that the Administration has decided on a policy of conveying lease-lend articles without the consent of Congress.

The day we go to war we have lost, although we may be victorious in five or ten years at the expense of millions of lives, hundred of

## PROPOSED U.S. LOAN TO BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, June 26 (Reuter). The Federal Loan Administrator, Mr. Jesse Jones, announced that he is considering a loan to the British Government.

Mr. Jones said that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation was studying the loan under a new law authorising such a loan and added: "The purpose of the loan would be to provide the British with dollar exchange to pay for war supplies in this country without having to sell their American securities and investments at a forced sale."

Mr. Jones did not name any amount, but in some quarters it is reported that the loan would be for "several hundred million dollars."

Reconstruction Finance Corporation officials, however, hinted that a small figure was contemplated at the start.

Mr. Jones said that the collateral of the proposed loan would include "direct investments and a wide diversification of stocks and bonds of corporations" in the United States.

## THIRD DAY OF NAZI ATTACK

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of the fighting will probably be available immediately.

VILNA FALLS, REPORT

Another Reuter report from Vilna declares that according to the Hungarian official newspaper Pest, the ancient Lithuanian capital of Vilna, which became incorporated in Russian-occupied Poland, has been entered by German troops.

Reuter also reports that gunfire has been heard from various places in the outer Stockholm archipelago. Firing was also heard yesterday off the west coast.

GERMANS DRIVEN BACK

MOSCOW, June 26 (Reuter).—How Soviet cavalry drove back the German and Rumanian troops who had crossed the river Pruth into Bessarabia from Rancu—midway between Jassy and Galatz—is described in a dispatch by a special correspondent or Investia, the official organ of the Soviet government.

The correspondent says, "Our frontier guards made heroic efforts to prevent the crossing of the river but could not withstand the pressure of the enemy who had an enormous numerical superiority."

"Having concentrated a powerful force of infantry and tanks on the Soviet bank, the enemy began the offensive. It was necessary to deal him a terrific blow immediately."

CAVALRY CHARGE

"Bombers and fighters hurried themselves as he crossed the frontier, raining down bombs. Numbers of enemy tanks were immediately destroyed and their infantry suffered heavy losses. Disorder broke out in the enemy ranks during this raid and, taking advantage, the Soviet cavalry charged their lines using their sabres and chasing the enemy back towards the bridge."

"The avalanche of cavalry destroyed all in its path and cleared the bridge of the enemy."

HELSINKI BOMBED

LONDON, June 26 (Reuter).—Moscow Radio announced that Soviet planes yesterday raided Helsinki, the capital of Finland.

BLACK SEA FLEET

LONDON, June 26 (Reuter).—The Russian submarine flotilla in the Black Sea has recently been reinforced by Admiral Kuznetsov, Commander-in-Chief of the Russian Navy, according to news reaching Ankara, says the Independent, French news agency.

This followed discussions regarding the priority between the defence of the Baltic and the Black Seas. The Russians finally decided that the defence of the Caucasus was more important as a supply centre of the Red Army.

The Russians are said to be constructing underground aerodromes in the Ukraine with a view to avoiding the destruction of planes on the ground.

billions of dollars and the ruin of our country and its free institutions.

This issue, transcending all party lines and divorced from the repeal of the arms embargo, conscription, and the Lend-Lease Bill—and preliminary bouts to the principal event—is crystal clear: Shall we go to war or stay out?

## WAR'S INCENDIARY BOMBS: POTENT WEAPON OF SIEGE AND ASSAULT

On war's new civilian front, the incendiary bomb has re-instated fire, in eclipse since the invention of gunpowder, as a potent weapon of siege and assault. According to Dr. J. Enrique Zanetti of Columbia University, who provided a demonstration for "Life," the Luftwaffe missed its chance to set all London afire by incendiary bombs before British fire defences were properly organized.

Like other weapons of the present war, incendiary bombs were first tested in World War I. It was then established that the magnesium thermite bomb is most effective.

THE INGREDIENTS

Ingredients are three common and useful metals, iron, aluminium and magnesium. Iron oxide and aluminium mixed in a granulated powder make thermite, which fills the magnesium casing of bomb set off by a flash of priming powder, both thermite and casing combust in an intense flame that burns through metal and cannot be smothered or put out by water or chemical extinguishers.

Small thermite bombs sown by thousands at random are well adapted to German style of indiscriminate bombing. But the Germans failed to achieve the ultimate in incendiary bombing, the merging of many fires into a general conflagration.

POTENT WEAPON

By now, the defence of the British cities insures that no such conflagration will get started. Incendiary bombs, nonetheless, remain a potent weapon for harassment and help guide high explosives to their objectives.

Because magnesium is itself an incendiary, it collaborates with thermite powder to make the most efficient possible incendiary bomb. The two materials complement one another to defeat the two chief methods of fire fighting.

Thermite flames cannot be killed by smothering, while magnesium burns readily in standard chemical extinguisher and even sets water itself on fire. With big asbestos "snuffers," however, the flames can be restricted until they burn themselves out. British scientists more recently have developed a chemical sand extinguisher which blankets the burning bomb with oxygen-excluding slag.

RANDOM DISTRIBUTION

Effective incendiary bombing calls for random distribution of 14-in. 2-lb. bombs. In a city like London, in which the ratio of buildings to open space is one to four, not more than 20 per cent of the bombs, dropped ten or twenty at a time in "Molotov bread-baskets," can be expected to take effect. Chance duds and well-organized defence reduce the percentage further, so that not more than one in twenty bombs is likely to start a really troublesome fire.

Most spectacular British contribution to incendiary warfare were the "calling cards" dropped by British bombers over German farm-lands last autumn. These were discs of absorbent paper, impregnated with a solution of phosphorus and dampened with water. Harmless as long as it is kept moist, the phosphorus bursts into flame as soon as the water has evaporated.

"CALLING CARDS"

Scattered far and wide in the open country, "calling cards" offer a potent and hard-to-control weapon against the enemy's crop and forest resources. Printed with intriguing messages, they may burn curious citizens and even be carried innocently into houses, setting them afire.

An important element in incendiary bombing is variation of materials for purpose of confusing defenders. As demonstrated by Germans in attacks on London, this calls for the occasional use of less effective oil bombs, which require different extinguishing techniques. Blunt-nosed incendiary bombs, dropped from altitudes above 5,000 ft., strike at speeds of about 360 ft. per sec.

They do not usually penetrate below attic floors and thus start most of their fires on roofs or in upper stories. Still to be exploited is a wide variety of incendiary chemicals which may come into use with increased demand for aluminium and magnesium in their more constructive functions.

WASHINGTON, June 26 (Reuter).—Shipments from the United States to Britain in April totalled \$128 millions. This represents the largest amount of goods sent to Britain in the past 20 years, and is nearly 2½ times greater than in April last year. The British Empire in April received \$240 millions worth of American goods—about 61 per cent of the United States total exports.

## H.K. Stock Exchange

BUYERS

H.K. Banks, \$1317½.  
Bank of East Asia, \$72.  
Canton Ins., \$215.  
H.K. Fire Ins., \$180.  
H.K. Steamboats, \$8.  
Indo-Chinas (Pref.), \$80.  
Wharves, \$68.  
Docks, \$15.50.  
Providents, \$5.50.  
Hotels, \$3.  
Lands, \$32.25.  
Realties, \$3.  
Star Ferries, \$52.  
Yaumati Ferries, \$21.35.  
Lights (O), \$8.  
Lights (N), \$1.30.  
Lights Rts., 30cts.  
Electric (O) X Rts., \$21.75.  
Electric (N), \$20.75.  
Telephones (O), \$22.25.  
Telephones (N), \$9.  
Cements, \$14.10.  
Ropes, \$8.  
Dairy Farms, \$17.25.  
Watsons, \$10.25.  
Entertainments, \$6.30.

SELLERS

Ropes, \$8.50.  
SALES  
Docks, \$15.50.  
Providents, \$5.50/5.60.  
Trams, \$16.50.  
Electric Rts., \$11.  
Cements, \$14.25.  
Ropes, \$8.825.  
Watsons, \$10.25/30.

## SEASONAL RAINS IN FUKIEN

YUNGAN, June 26 (Central).—After experiencing a long spell of drought since the beginning of the summer, Fukien has been afforded a great relief by seasonal rains in all parts of the province during the past two days.

Farmers are beaming with smiles as paddy fields are now well-watered and a good autumn harvest is assured.

Indicative of sufficient rainfall, there is a rise of several feet in the Min and other rivers in the province.

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## BRITAIN'S FISH SHORTAGE

### Government Move To Prevent Profiteering

LONDON, June 26 (Reuter).—A determined drive to prevent profiteering in fish was announced by the Food Minister, Lord Woolton, in the House of Lords yesterday. Britain gets no more than 25 per cent of former fish supplies since the Admiralty requisitioned 75 per cent of the country's fish trawlers for mine-sweeping. Fish prices to a house wife have risen disproportionately. An order will shortly be issued controlling the price at the quay, in ships and at all intermediate stages so that it will no longer be profitable to speculate in fish.

The average price will be 8s 10d per stone compared with last month's ruling price of 13s 6d. Measures will also be taken to insure fair distribution to all parts of the country.

NEW YORK, June 26 (Reuter).—American maritime sources report that a plane from the British Fleet attacked and probably sank the German liner Elbe, 8,000 tons, in the Atlantic.

## HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Thursday, June 26, 1941.

SALES		
China Lights (O)	200	\$ 6.05
China Providents	1,000	5.50
	850	5.50
	500	5.55
	500	5.60
H.K. Docks	500	15.50
	200	15.50
H.K. Electric Rts	341	11.00
	250	11.00
Cements	150	14.25
Dairy Farms	58	17.75
Ropes	500	8.25
	500	8.30
Macau Electric	100	18.65
	5,649	

The total value is \$47,818.00.

LONDON, June 26 (Reuter).—The British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, in addition to his interview yesterday with the Spanish Ambassador, also saw the Netherlands Foreign Minister, Dr. E. N. van Kieffens, and the United States Ambassador, Mr. John G. Winant.

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## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS

**JUNE 26 1941**

On London:—  
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8  
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8  
Credits 4 months sight

On Shanghai:—  
On demand 440  
On Singapore:—  
On demand 52 3/4

On Japan:—  
On demand 102 1/4

On India:—  
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 5/8  
On demand 1/2 5/8

On New York:—  
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/8  
Credits, 90 days sight 24 7/8

On Batavia:—  
On demand 45 1/4

On Paris:—  
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.  
Credits 4 months sight Nom.

On Saigon:—  
On demand 104 1/2

On Manila:—  
On demand 48 1/4

On Bangkok:—  
On demand 148 1/2

On Sterling Notes:—  
Bank Buying Rate Nom.  
Bar Silver per oz. 23 1/2

## Market Report

**FROM ROZA BROS.**

Thursday, June 26.  
Silver prices rose 1/16 yesterday for both Ready and Forward, the quotations being 23 1/2 for both deliveries. The Silver market was steady. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403 1/2.

## MARKET

**STERLING**  
(There were sellers 1/3 up to September, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for any delivery.)

**U. S. DOLLARS**  
There were sellers at 24 1/2 for Cash and buyers 24 9/16 for Cash.

**SHANGHAI DOLLARS**  
Sellers 45 1/2, buyers at 45 1/2.

**SHANGHAI MARKET**  
Sterling sellers for spot at 3 5/16 U. S. Dollars. The market opened with sellers at 5 7/16 and closed at noon with sellers at 5 13/32 for Spot.

**AFTERNOON MARKET**  
The market was quiet in the afternoon.

**STERLING**  
(The market closed with sellers at 1/3 up to September, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for any delivery.)

**U. S. DOLLARS**  
The market closed with sellers at 24 1/2 for Cash and buyers at 24 9/16 for Cash.

**SHANGHAI DOLLARS**  
Sellers at 45 1/4 and buyers at 45 1/2.

**SHANGHAI MARKET**  
Sterling at 3 5/16 and U. S. Dollars at 5 7/16, both sellers for Spot.

## Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, June 26 (Reuters).  
**Official T.T. Rates**

**Opening**  
London 0/3-1/4  
New York 5 6/16  
Japan 22-1/2  
India 18  
Paris nominal  
Hongkong 21-5/8

**Sterling**  
Sellers Closing  
Spot 0/3-5/16 0/3-5/16  
June 0/3-5/16 0/3-5/16  
July 0/3-5/16 0/3-5/16

**U.S. Dollars**  
Spot \$5-7/16 \$5-13/32  
June 5-7/16 5-13/32  
July 5-7/16 5-7/16

**Market: Quiet**

**Silver Duty Rate**  
Shanghai, June 26 (Reuters).  
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.  
The Equalisation rate was 24-1/4 per cent.

## Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, June 25 (Reuters).  
T.T. on Japan, 81-1/2

## India Rupee Paper

Bombay, June 23 (Reuters).  
Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 90-0-0.

## LONDON GOLD

London, June 26 (Reuters).  
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 108/-

## NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTERS SERVICE)

	Prev	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, July	14.52			14.47	05 off
New York Rubber, July	21.00b	21.05	21.00	21.00	unch.
New York Hides, Sept.	14.51b	14.52	14.45	14.45	06 off
Chicago Wheat, July	102 1/2	103	102	103 1/4	1/4 off
Chicago Corn, July	73 1/2	73 3/4	73 1/4	73 1/4	1/4 up

Closing Ranges Changes		Closing Ranges Changes	
<b>N.Y. COTTON:</b> Notice date—25/6		<b>N.Y. COTTONSEED OIL:</b>	
July 14.47 48 05 off		July 12.55b 64a 02 off	
Oct 14.67 67 07 off			
Dec 14.78 78 08 off		<b>N.Y. SUGAR No. 3:</b>	
Jan 14.79 79 08 off		July 2.54b 56a 02 up	
Mar 14.83 83 08 off		Sept 2.55b 56a 02 up	
May 14.82 82 10 off		Business done—103 lots.	

Tuesday's sales 217,400 bales		N.Y. SUGAR No. 4:	
<b>N.Y. RUBBER:</b> Notice date—27/6		July 1.02 1/2 03 1/2 03 1/2 up	
July 21.00 00 unch.		Sept 1.08b 09a 02 1/2 up	
Sept 21.05b 10a unch.		Business done—571 lots.	
Dec 21.05b 10a 10 up			
Mar 20.70b 21.00a unch.		<b>NEW YORK COCOA</b>	
May unquoted		Sept 7.65 N 06 off	
Total sales 290 tons			

NEW YORK HIDES:		LONDON SILVER	
Sept 14.45 46 06 off		London, June 25 (Reuters)	
Dec 14.45 b 05 off		Silver: All steady with no business.	

CHICAGO WHEAT:		BOMBAY, SILVER	
July 102 1/2 102 1/4 0-1 4 up		Bombay, June 25 (Reuters)	
Sept 104 1/2 104 1/4 0-1 8 up		Market.	

TUESDAY'S SALES 16,355,000 bushels		INDIAN MINT SILVER	
<b>CHICAGO CORN:</b>		Ready 63-0-0	
July 73 1/2 73 1/4 0-1 4 up		July 19 Settlement 62-14-0	
Sept 76 1/2 76 1/4 unch.		Aug. 18 Settlement 62-13-0	

## HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	THURSDAY 26 JUNE	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
				<b>Banks</b>				
				H.K. Banks				
				Do (Col Reg.)				
				Do (Lon. Reg.)				
				Chartered Bank				
				Mercantile Bks. "A"				
				Mercantile Bks. "C"				
				Bank of East Asia				
				N. C. & S. Banks				
				Insurance				
				Canton Insurance				
				Union Insurance				
				Underwriters				
				H.K. Fire				
				Shipping				
				Douglas				
				Steamboats				
				Indo-China (Pref.)				
				Indo-China (Def.)				
				Shells				
				Waterboats				
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
				H.K. & S. Wharves				
				Providents				
				H.K. Docks (Old)				
				H.K. Docks (New)				
				+Shanghai Docks				
				Mining				
				Failans				
				Rauhs				
				Hong Kong Mines				
				Lands, Hotels and Buildings				
				H.K. & S. Hotels				
				H.K. Lands				
				Do 4% Debentures				
				Shanghai Lands				
				H.K. Realities				
				Humphreys				
				Chinese Estates				
				Cotton Mills				
				Ewo (S)				
				S'hai Cottons (S)				
				Zoong Singa (S)				
				Wing On Textiles (S)				
				Public Utilities				
				H.K. Tramways				
				Peak Trams (old)				
				Peak Trams (new)				
				Star Ferries				
				Yueni Ferries				
				China Lights (O)				
				China Lights (New)				
				H.K. Electric (Old)				
				H.K. Electric (New)				
				H.K. Electric (Rte.)				
				Macao Electric				
				Macao Electric				
				Sandakan Lights				
				Telephones (old)				
				Telephones (new)				
				Industrials				
				Cald. Macg. (Ord.) B.				
				Cald. Macg. (Pref.) B.				
				Canton Ice				
				Cement				
				H.K. Cops				
				H.K. Gov. Loans				
				4% Loan (1934)				
				4% Loan (1940)				
				Miscellaneous				
				Dairy Farms				
				Entertainments				
				Constructions (old)				
				Constructions (new)				
				Lane Crawford				
				Nanyang Tobacco				
				Sincere				
				Watsons				
				Ch. G. 5% 1926 G. Bds.				
				H.K. Wing On				
				S'hai Wing On				
				Vibro Piling				
				Marsmans Inv. (Lon.)				
				Marsmans Inv. (H.K.)				
				Wm. Powells				
				Lights Rte.				
				+Sale to Shanghai				

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

## QUOTATION

(REUTERS SERVICE)

JUNE 26 1941

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
June 25	June 25	June 25	June 25
Adams Express	5 1/2	Johnsonville	6 3/4
Allegheny Steel Co.	3 1/2	Kennecott Copper	36 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	37 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	27 1/2
Amer. Can.	84	Lockheed Aircraft	25 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	37 1/2	Loew's Inc.	28 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Pwr.	18 1/2	Martin, Glen L. Co.	28 1/2
Amer. Locomotive Co.	13 1/2	Montgomery Ward	35
Amer. Metals	17 1/2	National Aviation	8 1/2
Amer. Radiator	6 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	14 1/2	National Distillers	20 1/2
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	41 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	6 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	16 1/2	National Supply Corp.	6 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	156 1/2	New York Central	124
Amer. Tobacco "B"	69 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	22 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	43	N. American Aviation	14 1/2
Anasconda Copper	27 1/2	North American Co. (New)	12 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	29 1/2	Northern Pacific	6 1/2
Aviation Corp.	31 1/2	Packard Motors	24
Baldwin Locomotive Co.	15 1/2	Paramount Pictures	12 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	34	Pennsylvania R.R.	23 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	9 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	44 1/2
Bendix Aviation	37	Pullman Inc.	77
Bethlehem Steel	73 1/2	Pure Oil	9 1/2
Bliss & Co. E.W. (com.)	16 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	4
Boeing Airplane Co.	18 1/2	Reading Company, Com.	15
Borg-Warner	17 1/2	Remington Arms Co. Inc.	41 1/2
Briggs Mfg. Co.	19 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	34
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	4	Republic Steel	19 1/2
Canadian Pacific	34	Reynold Tobac. "B"	32
Celanese Corp.	22 1/2	Schenley Distillers	10
Chesapeake & Ohio	36 1/2	Shell Union Oil	14 1/2
Chrysler	57 1/2	Socomey-Vacuum Oil	9 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	24	Southern Pacific	11 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	23 1/2	Southern Ry. \$5 pf.	24 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	9 1/2	Steel Manufacturing Co.	33 1/2
Consolidated Edison Co.	18 1/2	Standard Gas & Elec.	57 1/2
Consolidated Oil	6 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	40 1/2
Copperweld Steel	14 1/2	Studebaker Corp.	54
Curtis Wright (C)	8 1/2	Swift International	18 1/2
Distillers Corp. (Seagram)	14 1/2	Technicolor	39 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	73 1/2	Texas Corp.	8 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	164	Trans-America Co.	44
Eagle Picher Lead	8 1/2	20th Cent. Fox Film, Com.	5 1/2
Elec. Autolite Co.	27 1/2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	11
Elec. Bond & Share	24	Union Pacific	81
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	50 1/2	United Aircraft	39
Elec. Bond & Share \$6 pf.	56 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	104
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf.	32 1/2	United Corp.	24
Flintkote	12 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	22 1/2
Gen. Electric	32 1/2	United Gas Improvement	7
Gen. Motors	38 1/2	U.S. Rubber	23
Gen. Railway Signal	14 1/2	U.S. Steel	56 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	104 1/2	Vanadium	25
Goodrich (B.F.)	13 1/2	Vulcan Aircraft	64 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	17 1/2	Walworth Co.	44
Great Northern Iron Ore	13 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	34
Great Northern Ry. pf.	27 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	94 1/2
Great Western Sugar	23 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	26 1/2
Inter. Nickel	25 1/2	Chase National Bank	31 1/2
Inter. Paper & Power	14 1/2	National City Bank	27 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel. (Fon. Is.)	21 1/2	Libby, McNeil	

## DOW JONES AVERAGE

1941			June 26, 1941.				
High	Low	Dow Jones Averages	June 24.	High	Low	Close	Change
133.50	115.20	30 Industrials	123.52	123.82	122.85	123.52	.29 up
29.75	26.54	30 Rails	28.26	26.53	26.10	28.50	.24 up
90.65	77.22	15 Utilities	17.70	17.80	17.69	17.73	.03 up
92.19	89.56	40 Bonds	91.15			91.14	.01 off
73.00	55.45	11 Commodity Index	72.39			72.22	.17 off
Business Done—430,000 shares							

## JAPANESE SHORT OF COPPER

KWEILIN, June 26 (Central)—It is reported that the Japanese have sent many Chinese traitors and underlings into Kwangsi province to exchange with plaques for Chinese copper coins which they intend to melt and use as raw material for the manufacture of armament.

The Kwangsi Provincial Government has issued orders to the different magistracies, instructing them to take effective precautions. It has simultaneously ordered the Bank of Kwangsi to withdraw all copper coins in order to prevent them from falling into enemy hands.

## LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, June 26 (Reuters).  
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, £259-5/8.  
Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, £262-1/8.  
Market dull. Smelter selling found little absorptive power for offerings resulting from embargo exports. In the United States, consumers bought sizeably.

LONDON, June 26 (Reuters).—The House of Commons yesterday discussed the shipping position in a secret session. It is understood that the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, made a comprehensive statement to the House.

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SOUTH AMERICA (WEST COAST) via Hilo & San Francisco. (starts from Kobe)

\* SANUKI MARU Middle of July

COLOMBO & MADRAS via Singapore

\* HAKODATE MARU Monday, 15th Aug

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila

SUWA MARU Saturday, 2nd Aug.

SAIGON

\* LIMA MARU Friday, 27th June

\* TOYOHASE MARU Monday, 24th July

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.

HAKONE MARU Monday, 21st July

RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore

\* LIMA MARU Friday, 27th June

\* MATI MOTO MARU Tuesday, 8th July

KOBE & YOKOHAMA

\* TURUGA MARU Monday, 30th June

\* NOTO MARU Saturday, 19th July

\* NITTA MARU Monday, 28th July

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## NO AMERICAN "NEUTRALITY" PROCLAMATION

### VLADIVOSTOK OPEN TO U.S. MUNITION

WASHINGTON, June 26 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt does not intend to issue a "neutrality" proclamation on the Russo-German war, according to an announcement by Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, yesterday.

United States ships will thus be permitted to carry arms to Vladivostok.

The United States is taking up the same position as she has maintained during the undeclared Sino-Japanese war.

Mr. Welles pointed out that under the Neutrality Act, a neutrality proclamation is required when the President or Congress "shall find that there exists a state of war between foreign states and that it is necessary to promote or preserve the peace of the United States or protect the lives of citizens of the United States."

### NO PROCLAMATION

Mr. Welles added that President Roosevelt had authorised him to announce that inasmuch as he finds that a proclamation is unnecessary in the present instance to promote the peace of the United States or protect American citizens, he has no intention of issuing a proclamation.

Asked what effect this would have on the transport of arms to Russia in American ships, Mr. Welles explained that the combat zones already established by the President do not include the Pacific region. Vladivostok will thus remain open to American ships carrying arms or any other supplies.

### "BELLIGERENT" PORTS

Under the Neutrality Act, American ships are forbidden to carry arms to "belligerent" ports or defined combat areas.

Mr. Welles added that the United States had still not received an official communication from the Russian Government since the American declaration on Monday favouring Russia against Germany and President Roosevelt's announcement that all American aid possible would be given to Russia.

### MARINE COURT

Pleading not guilty before Cmdr. J. Jolly yesterday to having entered his junk, a Class IV boat No. 2275A, into the West Lamma Channel Minefield without permission, a junk fook, Lai Pak, 20, of Macao, was ordered to appear before the Marine Magistrate this morning when the case will be heard.

### HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 27 June to 3 July 1941.

Days of Week	Days of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Fri.	27	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		10 10	7 4	03 44	3 0
Sat.	28	00 29	4 3	04 26	3 1
		10 51	7 2	1 23	0 5
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to revenue involved in this concession will be trivial.

### REASONABLE DEPRECIATION

In connexion with Clause 18, the Financial Secretary said.

Government received yesterday a letter from the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce suggesting that the words in sub-paragraph (a) be deleted and that the words "an allowance for reasonable depreciation" be substituted therefor. This would be a reversion to the wording of the corresponding section (Section 15 (a)) of the War Revenue Ordinance, 1940.

As explained in the Table of Correspondence attached to the Bill, this clause has been redrafted so as to put the question of the meaning of depreciation on a clearer basis. The redraft was drawn up by a Sub-committee of the reconstituted War Revenue Committee and was accepted by the full Committee.

Government has noted the representations of the Chamber of Commerce on this matter but does not consider that a case has been made out for an amendment of the clause as it now stands.

### VARIOUS FIELDS

Hon Mr. A. L. Shields, addressing the Council, said that the Chamber of Commerce had last year's Bill in mind. The Chamber felt that it was impossible to draw any scale of depreciation to cover the various fields of business in this Colony. In the case of factories which had put in plant to make materials for war purposes it was obvious, he thought, that in that case the plant must be written off. When the war finishes these people may be left with a very expensive plant.

The Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster) said that the proposed amendment went back to last year's Ordinance which was considered unsatisfactory because it was so vague and it had been clarified by a ruling of the Board. The Reconstituted War Revenue Committee submitted the Bill to a very competent sub-committee. It was proposed to reconstitute the Committee again and this point could be dealt with by the third Committee.

### A MISUNDERSTANDING

Hon Mr. M. K. Lo said that in the absence of details of the objections of the Chamber of Commerce, there appeared to be a misunderstanding. No reasonable rates were specified. There was an

omnibus clause which provided that for anything not inside the schedule the Commissioner would be empowered to give a higher rate of depreciation. The clause did give the Commissioner power to allow a higher rate of depreciation but not a lower rate.

His Excellency said he felt that matter had been given very careful consideration. The Attorney General remarked that depreciation was a matter which had been given a lot of thought by the business section of the Committee.

Mr. Shields did not press his amendment and the clause was passed.

### CLAUSE 39 AMENDED

Moving an amendment to Clause 39, the Financial Secretary said.

It is proposed that the words "within twelve months after the death of the deceased person" be added at the end of proviso (iii) (b). Representations on this proviso have been received from the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce. The purpose of proviso (iii) (b) is to forestall the executor who wishes to evade taxation by distributing an estate before a notice is given to him that liability to tax will arise.

Government is of the opinion that the point raised by the Chamber of Commerce, namely, that hardship may be occasioned to executors who may have to pay interest on legacies remaining unpaid twelve months after the death of the deceased person, will be met by the proposed addition.

### BILL PASSED

Upon Council resuming, the Financial Secretary said:—

Sir, I have to report that the Bill has passed through Committee with two amendments, namely, the substitution of the words "seven hundred and fifty" for the words "five hundred" in Clause 13, sub-paragraph (1) (c), and the addition of the words "within twelve months after the death of the deceased person" at the end of proviso (iii) (b) to Clause 39. If Your Excellency will rule that the amendments are not material, I can move the third reading of the Bill at this meeting.

His Excellency: I do so rule. The Attorney General seconded and the Bill was read a third time.

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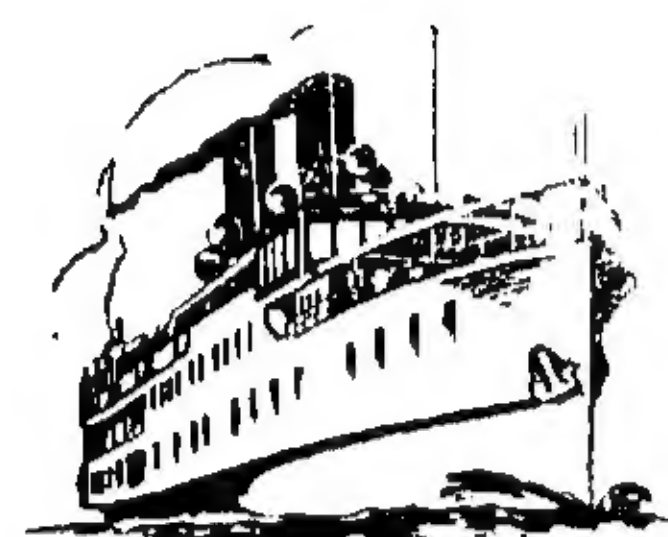
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## News And Its Distribution: How To Sift Its Truth And Its Falsity

In these days, when foreign news consists so much of propaganda, how can the ordinary newspaper reader and the radio listener sift out the facts and get a true picture of the position on world affairs? MR. EDWARD MONTGOMERY, a well-known journalist on the staff of the NEWS-CHRONICLE, answered this question when he broadcast from London yesterday.

"I am a newspaperman," said Mr. Montgomery. "My whole-time job is to follow the news that comes in and to try and get from that news what is important and what is true. As you read your newspaper or listen to your radio, you will have to do the same thing.

### EXTREME VIEWS

"You will often hear people expressing extreme views on this subject. 'Of course it is true,' says one. 'I saw it in the papers.' 'You cannot believe anything these days,' replies the other. None of this is any good. Some of the news you see in your newspapers is false, some of it is true, some true and false at the same time. When you read your newspaper or listen to your radio, you must see in your own mind how much is true and how much false.

"In the main, newspapers and radios rely for their news on news agencies. Names of these agencies which are well known are Reuters, United Press of America, British United Press and a number of other small agencies. All these agencies are private enterprises served by free men and are subject to censorship conditions in each country where they operate.

### A DISTINCTION

"They depend for the news they send out on the integrity of their correspondents and in distinction to these free news agencies are the controlled news agencies of the totalitarian States. The control of news in totalitarian States is very much more than a case of rigid censorship. Each totalitarian State has its own news agency and it is only through this agency that news is distributed. In Germany there is the D.N.B., in Russia it is the Tass Agency, in Italy it is Stefani and in Japan it is the Domei Agency. These are the four big agencies, although there are a few more.

"The main feature of their work is that they are directly controlled by the country concerned through the Ministry of Information or Propaganda.

"Now, with that picture in your mind of a great network of news gatherers and news distributors operating all over the world, some working freely and some working under control of the dictators and their governments, let us get down to the news you are reading or hearing on your radio," continued Mr. Montgomery.

### AN EXAMPLE

"Let us take the newspapers, for example. Into a newspaper office comes this great stream of news from all parts of the world. It has all been sifted and verified, but no newspaper uses the whole of this stream. Editors have to condense and set them again. They also have to verify them again.

"Like the news agencies, they get their news from many sources which may not be reliable. At this point I hear you say 'Why deal with sources which you have reason to suspect?' Well, even a born liar may tell the truth some times. Even false news may sometimes put out a story which is true.

"The editor of a newspaper, in fairness to his readers, has to publish it and it is essential that they should know it.

### FINAL JUDGMENT

"Final judgment on the truth or falsity of news must rest with the individual reader or hearer and that is most important. Before you make an attempt to pass judgment you should get an idea of how the newspaper man does it. "The first thing is to consider the source of the news. The source is always given in what we call the by-line or date-line. From our own correspondent, Ankara Monday: 'From our military correspondent in the Middle East, 'According to the Rome correspondent of the Swiss newspaper... 'According to Moscow radio quoted by Reuters' etc.

"News with such an introduction tell you from where the news comes. How can you tell whether these sources are reliable or not. In free countries you can be sure that the truth or falsity of the report

is verified before being sent out for publication because they have accepted the role of telling the truth.

"In the dictator-controlled countries that is not so. They don't care whether the news they put out is true or false. Therefore, in estimating the news you read you must think of the probable source from which it is put out.

### "ALLIANCE" STORY

Mr. Montgomery went on to give an example of this when he mentioned that last Sunday was a day of wild rumours. His paper had received a news agency message from Stockholm that an alliance between Great Britain, the United States and Soviet Russia was under consideration. That statement was pretty sensational. It may have been true. On the face of it it looked clear. All three countries had a common interest in defeating Germany—why not a Treaty of Alliance?

"But let us take a look at it again," continued Mr. Montgomery. "First, it came from Stockholm. Stockholm is not in a dictator country, but it has been used by the Germans to put out news stories. Next, it comes from a newspaper which says it is quoting the Moscow radio.

"How are you to know whether a responsible person actually heard the Moscow radio. Someone may have told somebody else that he heard it and that someone may have been a German agent. So we have to check up his story from other sources.

"Then there is another thing. Russia had been generally regarded as bound by a pact to Germany until a few hours before she was invaded. Russia was not regarded as being on friendly terms with either Britain or the United States. Is it, therefore, possible that a Treaty of Alliance would be made with her a few hours after the attack on Russia? Treaties of alliance are now made in a few hours.

### HITLER'S PRACTICE

"I know that one of the main lines of Herr Hitler's propaganda for trying to excuse his attack on Russia was that Russia was involved in a conspiracy with Britain and the United States to get Germany down. If he could put a story out within a few hours of the war on Russia that this was so, it might make people think that what Herr Hitler said was true. Now you can see the value of that statement.

"That is just one of the ways in which Dr. Goebbels and his propaganda boys go to work on the news of trying to deceive you and me, to try and make us think what they want us to think instead of thinking for ourselves.

"When you read your newspaper or listen to your radio, read it carefully and listen carefully and think about what you may read and hear and analyse the news for yourselves. Where does it come from? Was the source reliable? If it was not reliable, what is the ulterior motive for putting out that particular piece of news at that time? If, as you read the news, you keep asking yourselves these questions, you will read the newspapers and get at the truth."

### LEGS SCALDED

A woman, Chan Ngen, 32, of No. 71, Pohlum Road, was admitted to Queen Mary Hospital yesterday suffering scalds to both legs sustained in an accident in her kitchen when the bottom fell out of a kettle of boiling water as she was lifting it off the stove.

Among the foreign residents of Shanghai who have left to settle in America are Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Viloudaki, who plan to reside near their son and daughter-in-law in Seattle. Mr. Viloudaki first came to Shanghai in 1884, and in his early days was associated with the silk department of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. both here and in Japan, later establishing himself here under the firm name of N. A. Viloudaki & Co., which is still continuing, although he retires from active control.

## CROWN RENTS APPORTIONMENT AMENDMENT

At the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon, the Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O. B. E., K. C.) moved the first reading of a Bill to amend the Crown Rents (Apportionment) Ordinance, 1938.

The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, C. M. G.) seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

In the objects and reasons it is stated that the principal Ordinance, No. 4 of 1936, makes no suitable provision for determination of rent on the application of the owner of the Remaining Portion of a section, in cases in which the rent of such section has already been determined.

The object of the Bill is to make such provision.

## LOCKIAW AFTER FOOT INJURY

Lung Sin, 40, of No. 1180, Canton Road, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday suffering from lockjaw caused when he received an injury to his foot two days ago. A log of wood had fallen on him. His condition is described as serious.

## Secret Record Of Lease, Lend Programme

WASHINGTON, June 26 (Reuters).—Work has started on agreements of six-term conditions under which Britain, China and other nations receiving Lease and Lend aid will repay the United States. It was announced last night by the assistant executive of the Lease and Lend Agency, Mr. Philip Young.

No mortgage or lease is written for individual shipment of war supplies, he explained, but instead an overall remuneration agreement is drafted.

The record of the Lease and Lend programme is entered in a big black book of which there are only two copies. The book is closely guarded as a military secret.

President Roosevelt has one and the Lease and Lend Administrator, Mr. Harry Hopkins, the other.

## ALLIES ON HILLS ABOVE MERJ AYOUM

LONDON, June 26 (Reuters).—Following the occupation of Merj Ayoum in Syria, the Allies are now on the hills above the town and the latest news received in London shows that the Vichy troops have retreated to a point about 10 miles from Merj Ayoum. It is stated that Allied forces are still attacking the strongly fortified town of Palmira. They are also advancing on the Damascus-Belrut Road.

## MEXICO WILL FIGHT

MEXICO CITY, June 26 (Reuters).—The President of the Government Party, Senor Antonio Villalobos, told a meeting which packed the National Theatre here that Mexico was prepared to fight if necessary for the defence of Democracy.

## COL. WEDGWOOD ILL

NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, June 27 (Reuters).—The British member of Parliament, Colonel J. C. Wedgwood, who has been touring the United States has been taken to hospital here as the result of a heart attack. He had taken ill after mounting the steps to a platform to address a meeting.

## CHINESE CUSTOMS DUTIES

TOKYO, June 26 (Reuters).—The Standing Committee of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry this morning urged the Government to open negotiations with the object of revising Chinese customs duties, the result of which will be a general lowering of rates.

## FOREIGN MAILS

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## CHATER TRUST FUND BILL PASSED

The Bill of an Ordinance to incorporate Trustees capable of holding property and empowered to administer two trust funds known as The Chater (Cathedral) Endowment Fund and The Chater (St. Andrew's Church) Endowment Fund for the purpose of assisting in the maintenance of St. John's Cathedral and St. Andrew's Church in this Colony, became law at the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon.

The Hon. Mr. Stanley Hudson Dodwell moved the second and third readings, the first having been moved on June 19, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson seconding.

### THOSE PRESENT

Present at the meeting were His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G. (President), H. E. Major-General A. E. Grasett, O.B., D.S.O., M.C., Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary), Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., K.C. (Attorney General), Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North (Secretary for Chinese Affairs), Hon. Mr. R. R. Todd (Financial Secretary), Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves (Director of Public Works), Hon. Dr. P. B. Selwyn-Clarke, M.C. (Clerk of Councils).

## Fire Aboard Petrol Junk

A fire aboard a petrol junk at anchor in the Dangerous Goods Anchorage just off the Standard Oil Company installation at Lanchow raged through the early hours of yesterday morning after having been first detected at 11.45 p.m. on Wednesday.

It was under control at 6 a.m. yesterday.

Only one man was hurt, suffering burns to his chest, and is now in hospital. Twenty-three other junks, all loaded with petrol, managed to get clear of the fire in time.

The burning junk was completely gutted. It has not been ascertained what caused the fire.

(Director of Medical Services), Hon. Mr. W. J. Carle (Chairman of the Urban Council), Hon. Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans (Commissioner of Police), Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, C.B.E., Hon. Mr. Loo D'Almada et Castro, Jun., Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam, Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Hon. Mr. Li Tse-fong and Mr. C. Bismell Burgess (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

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